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## Air France Bailout Heads for Court

## Competitors Decry EU Approval of \$3.7 Billion Subsidy

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PARIS — The European Commission's approval Wednesday of a controversial 20 billion French franc (\$3.7 billion) government bailout of Air France prompted an avalanche of criticism from the U.S. and British governments, as well as from severil European airlines.

The decision also set the stage for legal challenges before the European Court of Justice by Prime Minister John Major's government and airlines like British Airways and British Midland.

The three-year aid package is a clear victory for France, which has been lobbying heavily in Brussels to win approval. The subsidy, which is the largest ever to be approved for a European airline, was attacked by critics who said it would distort competition and run counter to efforts to liberalize the European airline industry.
However, the European Commission

imposed a number of conditions. Among them is a requirement that the French government lift restrictions on the number of flights by other European airlines into Orly airport, south of Paris.

The government of Prime Minister Edonard Balladur also must promise to keep the Air France fleet stable at 146

aircraft, must not provide any of the money to Air Inter, the airline's domestic subsidiary, must press ahead with its previously announced plans to sell its Méridien hotel chain and to eventually privatize the debt-ridden state airline.

While applanding the commission's decision, Mr. Balladur said France would nonetheless bring its own appeal to the European Court of Justice, against Brussels' order that Air France repay 1.5 billion French francs of government aid it received in 1993.

The long-awaited Air France ruling which was accompanied Wednesday by approval of a separate 545 billion drachma (\$2.27 billion) aid package for Olympic Airways of Greece — was lambasted by the U.S. transportation secretary, Federico Peña; as "flatly unfair to competing, private airlines which cannot draw from the coffers of government."

Britain's transport minister, Brian Ma-whinney, condemned the bailouts as distorting competition in the European airline industry and said legal action by his government was a possibility.

The chairman of British Airways, Sir Colin Marshall, called the commission's approval "deplorable" and said it repre-sented "a serious setback for the developport in Europe."

KLM Royal Dutch Airlines said it was considering legal action against the commission and termed the conditions im-posed on Air France "too mild." The chairman of British Midland, Sir Michael Bishop, said "the sheer size of this rescue package for Air France is grotesque."

The European Union's transport commissioner, Marcelino Oreja, defended the Air France bailout as having "very stringent conditions" attached to it. Mr. Oreja contended that any legal challenge would "not be successful," but he added that the commission would respect any ruling by the European Court of Justice.

On the eve of the Brussels decision, Mr. Oreja received a two-page letter of protest from Mr. Peña. In it, the U.S. transportation secretary criticized the commission's approval of the aid for Olympic Airways and a recent 180 billion escudo (\$1.1 billion) package for Transportes Aéreos Portugueses SA, known as TAP Air Portugal, as well as the Air France bailout.

"Unprecedented billions in subsidy are being poured into the state-owned European airline industry," Mr. Peña complained.

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Brussels police stopping Wednesday to check the identity of a photographer taking a picture of a synagogue. Security was being increased at Jewish sites.

## Scandal Gets Ever Closer to Italian Leader

## Berlusconi's Brother Is Ordered Arrested in Tax-Bribe Affair

By John Tagliabue New York Times Service

ROME - Magistrates in Milan issued an arrest order Wednesday for the brother of Prime Minister Silvio Berlusconi in a widening scandal involving dozens of Italian businessmen and government tax in-spectors accused of trading bribes for le-nient or fraudulent tax audits.

The order for the arrest of Paolo Berlusconi, 44, brought the investigation perilously close to the prime minister.

News of the arrest warrant rippled through the Milan stock exchange and buffeted Italian financial markets, sending the lira to a new low against the Deutsche mark. The index of shares on the Milan market closed down nearly 2 percent, apparently reacting to rumors that the prime minister himself was sought with an arrest warrant and that he had resigned. The government denied both rumors. (Page 9)

Confronted with the spread of the inves-tigation, the prime minister struck out in a speech Tuesday night against the Milan magistrates conducting the investigation, which has led to the arrest over the last several days of numerous senior business leaders, including the head of the tax department of the prime minister's own Finvest corporation.

Mr. Berlusconi, 57, accused the magistrates of usurping political powers, though

Their investigations, he said, could be seen as a "devastating gutting action against society, this time not political, but economic, aimed at businesses."

An earlier wave of investigations in Italy had exposed systematic corruption among high-level politicians taking bribes and receiving undeclared donations to bankroll their party machines.

Mr. Berlusconi accused the magistrates of using preventive imprisonment to coerce confessions from suspects, "things that were once seen only beyond the Berlin

Paolo Berlusconi has been implicated by Salvatore Sciascia, the head of Fininvest's tax department. Mr. Sciascia told magistrates that tax inspectors were paid bribes totaling the equivalent of \$210,000 for fa-vorable audits of companies linked to Fininvest, including the Mediolanum insur-ance group, Viscotime, a television products company, and the Mondadori publishing company. Mr. Sciascia said the money for the bribes was supplied him by the younger Mr. Berlusconi.

A lawyer for Paolo Berlusconi, Vittorio Virga, said this evening that his client would turn himself in when details had See ITALY, Page 4

## **Automakers Back to Speed**

The world automobile industry, buoyed by economic recovery and cost-cutting, turned out a stream of upbeat financial news on Wednesday, led by Ford Motor Co.'s report of a record quarterly profit of \$1.71 bil-

The Volkswagen group, Europe's largest automaker, said its worldwide sales increased 7.8 percent to 1.726 million vehicles in the first half of the

BMW reported a 14 percent increase in net profit to 290 million Deutsche marks (\$182.4 million)

But while Ford forecast a continued recovery, there was concern among analysts in the United States that rising interest rates could again slow car sales. Ford stock fell 87.5 cents in late trading on the New York Stock Exchange. (Page 9.)

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#### Tokyo Said to Weigh Loan to Ford Motor

The government-controlled Export-Import Bank of Japan is negotiating a large, politically sensitive loan to Ford Motor Co., the Nihon Keizai Shimbun reported Wednesday.

The loan which could amount to as much as \$300 million, would be aimed at helping Ford to produce right-hand drive autos for export to Japan, the newspaper said. That, in turn, could help reduce Japan's huge trade sur-plus with the United States. (Page 9)

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## Defector (or Is He?) Claims North Korea Has 5 Bombs.

By James Sterngold

New York Times Servi TOKYO - In a potentially serious heightening of the tensions between South Korea and North Korea, the South Korean intelligence agency arranged an unusual press conference Wednesday for what it said was a high-level North Korean defector who claimed that, despite repeated denials, the government in Pyongyang has five nuclear bombs and may develop five more soon.

If the story presented by the National Security Planning Agency is true - and

Myong Do, 36, may be the most damaging defector ever to escape from North Korea. His story could also spur a major reassess-ment of the efforts to persuade North Korea to abandon its nuclear program.

Mr. Kang was introduced at the press conference in Seoul as the son-in-law of the North Korean prime minister, Kang Sung San. In a session that ran nearly three hours, he said that North Korea's new leader, Kim Jong II, sees the development of nuclear weapons not as a bargaining chip, but as the only way to rescue his hard-line government in the face of a colsome experts harbored doubts - Kang lapsing economy. Ten bombs, Mr. Kang

said, would give him the muscle he needs to stand up to the United States.

"Some say North Korea is only using the nuclear issue as a card," said Mr. Kang, who claimed his information came from a senior North Korean intelligence official. 'I don't think so. There is a firm belief that the only way to sustain the Kim Jong II system is to have nuclear capabilities."

There was no way to confirm the veracity of the claims about North Korea's nuclear arsenal, which would contradict even the gloomiest estimates by the Central Intelligence Agency, and some Western intelligence officials and diplomats ex-

pressed deep skepticism after analyzing

Mr. Kang's comments. [In Washington, the State Department also expressed skepticism about the defector's allegations, Reuters reported. Mike McCurry, department spokesman, said,

thing that, frankly, we're not certain we can assess at this point." ["There is a debate within our own intelligence community about the exact param-

The reliability of the information is some-

eters of the North Korean nuclear program, but the information provided by this

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## Rwanda Orphans: The Moans Are Better Than Silence

By Jonathan C. Randal

Washington Pan Service
NDOSHO, Zaire — As visitors walk
down the dirt path leading from the busy paved road, it is the mouning that first strikes them, even before they see the 4,000 Rwandan children on the volcanic

It is the despairing sound of orphans and "unaccompanied" children, a relief organization label for those separated from their families. It is used even when everyone knows that in many cases the parents more than likely have died in the cholera epidemic that has ravaged

Rwandan refugee camps here in the Goma region on Lake Kivu.

That odd noise is almost reassuring compared with the silence of many of the children, too disturbed by the loss of family or often too ill from dysentery, cholera or intestinal worms to make any

The relatively healthy are protected from the African sun by lean-tos or tents. The seriously sick are placed inside one-



Rwanda children, sick with cholera, at orphanage in Zaire.

story buildings designated "The Hospital," or, in more desperate cases, left naked outside on plastic sheeting to avoid soiling clothing.

Only two weeks ago, SOS Village d'Enfants was a well-run orphanage eight miles outside Goma for 40 children who had lost their families in ethnic conflict last year in the Masisi region of

But since about 2 million Hutu followed their defeated government's orders and fled into Zaire, those orphans have been moved and their places taken by waves of Rwandan children.

Picked up along the roadside, often next to dead parents, the children were trucked in by foreigners, such as soldiers of the French Army or workers for the International Committee of the Red Cross and the United Nations Children's

As the cholera epidemic spread, the orphanage's population jumped, some-

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## Flying Frugal Class, a New Trend in Business Travel

By Adam Bryant New York Times Service

NEW YORK - Many U.S. companies, eager to cut costs, are rebelling against the airlines' 16-year policy of making business travelers pay higher fares than leisure travelers. These companies are finding ways to save money, even if that sometimes means inconvenience to their employees on the road.

Apple Computer Inc., for instance, has set up a network that provides employees, working on computers at their desks, options for planning their trips, including the airlines for lower fares in exchange for sacrificing frepotential savings from discounts that the company has negotiated with certain airlines.

The company's department heads then evaluate employees on how often they use those discounts compared with their fellow employees. In the first five months of this year. Apple spent 25 percent less on travel than in the ness passengers as the economy recovers. corresponding period last year, even though its employces took 14 percent more trips.

Boeing Co. keeps for its own use the frequent-flier miles its employees earn on business trips. The Dr Pep-

began offering to pay its workers to use their frequentflier mileage for business trips, giving them \$300 for a trip that would have cost the company \$600 or more.

Dr Pepper/Seven-Up also encourages its traveling employees to stay over on a Saturday night, so they can take advantage of discount fares requiring a weekend stay.

On another front, 17 companies, including General Motors and Merck, announced their support last month for a fledgling venture that plans to negotiate with the quent-flier miles and eliminating commissions to travel

The new aggressiveness by businesses could become a nightmare for the airlines, which have been plagued by losses and are hoping for increased revenue from busi-

"Clearly, it's a threat," said David A. Swierenga, chief economist for the Air Transport Association, an industry trade group in Washington. "Business travel has always been the backbone of air travel, and if we suddenly find

per/Seven-Up Companies is more generous. Last year it that there is a big change in that part of our market, the began offering to pay its workers to use their frequentgrips with that.

Many analysts say business travelers may no longer be

the customers they were in the days when they traveled with little regard for cost. Indeed, many travel managers say that despite the

moderately improving economy, they are more determined than ever to squeeze costs out of their travel Georgia Pacific Corp., for example, recently told its

employees to avoid Delta Air Lines when possible because Georgia Pacific believed it was not getting a large enough volume discount for a company its size. Georgia Pacific, which has about 50,000 employees, has also chartered buses occasionally to drive groups of employees to meetings up to 300 miles (480 kilometers) away. The new frugality is not only affecting air travel. Many

companies have told their employees to stay at less See FARES, Page 4

## West Fears A New Wave Of Islamic Terrorism

### Support of Iran Is Seen Behind Bomb Attacks In London, Buenos Aires

By Joseph Fitchett

PARIS - A series of attacks against Jewish targets in London and Argentina aroused fears Wednesday that a Middle Eastern terrorist wave will be unleashed in Europe and the Americas.

Western and Arab specialists accused Iran of being behind the fresh spate of attacks. They said the operations, so distant from the Middle East, probably required the backing of a state's diplomatic

But these officials expressed doubt that Iran could imagine that a terrorist campaign could seriously disrupt the Arab-Israeli peace process, which now seems to have strong momentum.

"Maybe in Tehran they're deluded enough to think that anti-Jewish terrorism will prompt Israel to back out of peace in the Middle East," an Arab diplomat in

Sounding puzzled by the timing and political aim of the offensive, Western offi-

Israeli officials accuse the British of laxity in protecting Jewish facilities. Page 2.

cials, speaking on condition of anonymity, said they could not offer an estimate of its extent and duration until the terrorists' motives were better understood.

The outburst came as a surprise after several years when attacks by Islamic fun-damentalists and Arab extremists had been largely confined to the Middle East. Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin of Israel

called for concerted "international action against Islamic terrorism." Throughout the European Union, governments said they were tightening securi-

ty around their Jewish communities. wouldn't feel safe in Europe for a while." the head of a pro-Israeli organiza-

The London bombs caused only 20 injuries, "miraculously," considering the size to a British official. A similar blast July 18 at a Jewish community center in Argentina killed 96 people.

And a bomb on a Panamanian airliner last week claimed 21 victims, most of them Jewish.

Israeli and other officials linked the outbreak to resentment about the White House-sponsored ceremony Monday in which Mr. Rabin and Jordan's King Hussein formally ended the long state of war between their countries. As a reaction, these officials said, urban violence was being spread in the West by Islamic terrorists, a term usually used for Iranianbacked groups such as Hamas and Hezbol-

The timing may simply be opportunistic, other sources said. "For a long time, we've been seeing Iran get the potential for this sort of campaign through their training camps for terrorists in Lebanon and Sudan," said Shoshana Bryen, special projects head at the Jewish Institution for

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## War in Bosnia Looms Again, Only Worse

By Roger Cohen
New York Times Service

PARIS - After several months of virtual status quo, the Bosnian war is about to change, probably for the worse. The changes, beyond a renewed Serbian siege of Sarajevo, are likely to include a

substantially increased use of NATO air power against the Serbs, a partial with-drawal of the United Nations troops in Bosnia that are targets for Serbian reprisal

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and possibly a major battle between a joint Croatian-Muslim force and the Serbs in the Posavina area of northern Bosnia.

The scenario is chilling, and for this reason, American diplomats said, the United States, Russia, France, Britain and Germany are scrambling to salvage a takeit-or-leave it peace plan rejected last week by the Serbs before their foreign ministers

meet Saturday.

Already, on Monday, British diplomats traveled to the Bosnian Serbs' self-styled capital in Pale and tried to do some coaxing - to no avail. Russia is pressing President Slobodan Milosevic of Serbia to further press his Bosnian Serb brothers into

acceptance. The message to the Bosnian Serb leader, Radovan Karadzic, is simple: Just agree to the map, which offers the Serbs 49 percent of Bosnia and the Muslim-dominated goverument 51 percent, and everything elseexcept the existence of Bosnia within its international borders - is negotiable.

The Bosnian government has accepted See BOSNIA, Page 4

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## Angered by 2d Blast, Israelis Criticize British Security

By Richard W. Stevenson

LONDON - After a second car bomb explosion in less than 24 hours against a Jewish target here, Israeli officials voiced harsh criticism Wednesday of security precautions by Britain against what appeared to be terrorism by Islamic opponents of the Middle East peace process.

There were questions whether the explosions were part of a conspiracy to attack Jewish interof Iran or some Arab country hostile to Israel.

The British Foreign Office said a caller purporting to represent Hamas, the radical Islamic group that operates primarily in the West Bank and Gaza, had asserted responsibility for a

bombing Tuesday at the Israeli Embassy. The Foreign Office said the telephone call had come from the Middle East, but added that it five people and apparently occurred just minutes had not been made to British authorities. had not been made to British authorities.

The Reuters news agency later quoted a spokesman for Hamas as denying that organization had been involved.

The police in London said they were hunting for a woman who had parked a gray Audi sedan next to the Israeli Embassy in the Kensington district just after noon Tuesday, moments before a bomb exploded, injuring 14 people and causing ests around the world, possibly with the support extensive damage to the embassy and an adjacent apartment building.

> The police were also combing the wreckage of a second car bomb, which went off early this morning in North London outside the headquarters of a Jewish fund-raising organization, Israel

Joint Appeal. The explosion, at 12:46 A.M., slightly injured

"After several years, Middle Eastern terrorism is again being played out on the streets of Lon-don," said Sir Paul Condon, the metropolitan

The bombings in London followed an attack

on a Jewish community center last week in Buenos Aires that killed about 100 people.

David Veness, the assistant police commissioner for special operations at Scotland Yard, said it was "prudent" to assume the two bombings in London were linked. In both cases, the cars carried bombs containing 20 to 30 pounds (9 to 14 kilograms) of explosives.

Mr. Veness stressed that it would be difficult for people to acquire and move large quantities of explosives in Britain.

He did not single out any nation. But on Tuesday, Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin of Israel said he believed Iran might have played a role in the attacks.

In an interview, the deputy head of mission at the Iranian Embassy in London, Mohammed Safaci, denied that his nation had anything to do with the attacks.

"The Islamic Republic of Iran does not believe in acts of violence or terrorism whatever the cause," Mr. Safaei said. "Iran has not been directly or indirectly involved."

Scotland Yard's anti-terrorist branch had imposed parking restrictions and placed guards around a few buildings housing Israeli and Jewish organizations in London late Tuesday.

"It's really a true blunder of the locals here," Brigadier General Azriel Nevo, the Israeli military attachė, told Israeli radio.

## WORLD BRIEFS

## 54,000 Muslims Flee India Violence

BARPETA, India (Reuters) — More than 54,000 people have 6 fled villages in the northeast Indian state of Assam since Bodo tribal militants killed about 50 Muslims there over the weekend.

officials said Wednesday. "Most of these refugees are Muslims who are fleeing villages in the remote hills on the Indo-Bhutan border," according to the

district chief, Lyndon Rynjah. There have been several outbreaks of such violence in recent years, usually with Bodo militants who are fighting for their own state within India. The militants are attacking Muslims recently arrived from Bangladesh, accusing them of taking over tribal land.

## Cambodia Rejects 'Chinatown' Offer

PHNOM PENH (AFP) — Cambodia has refused an application from a private mainland Chinese company to build a \$2 billion "Chinatown" outside Phnom Penh, government officials said Wednesday. Finance Minister Sam Rainsy said. They wanted to create a sort of state within a state. It was a farcical

The Chinese Foreign Construction Co. proposed building a 20-square-kilometer (8-square-mile) town in Kandal Province, which borders the capital. The town was intended to be home to some

200,000 Chinese immigrants.

A government official said he believed the company hoped to raise the necessary capital overseas but added that details were "not very clear" and the whole project was "very strange." A Chinese Embassy spokesman said the embassy was not aware of the company or its plans "but this kind of proposal is not

### Reactor Stalls Estonia-Russia Pact

MOSCOW (Reuters) -- An agreement between Russia and Estonia on a withdrawal of Russian troops hit a snag Wednesday when negotiators from the two countries were unable to complete an accord on the dismantling of a Russian nuclear reactor.

Foreign Minister Andrei V. Kozyrev of Russia was quoted by

the Interfax news agency as saying that the delay was technical and that the Estonian side needed to consult further on the text of

As part of a package negotiated in a five-hour meeting Tuesday between Presidents Boris N. Yeltsin and Lennart Meri. Russia promised to dismantle a nuclear reactor at its Paldiski naval base

#### UN Said to Rebuff Taiwan on Status

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — Secretary-General Butros Butros Ghali will not support observer status at the United Nations for Taiwan, according to his spokesman.

China is strongly opposing any effort to give observer status to Taiwan, which was ousted from the United Nations in 1971 in favor of Beijing. Until then, Taiwan held the Chinese seat and had

veto power on the Security Council as a permanent member.

Joe Sills, the spokesman, said during his daily press briefing that Mr. Butros Ghali had met the Chinese chief delegate, Li Zhaoxing, over concern that an Asian newspaper had reported the secretary general had endorsed observer status for Taiwan. Mr. Sills said the report was "erroneous."

#### Aides Silent on Mitterrand Health

PARIS (AFP) — Government ministers dodged questions on President François Mitterrand's health on Wednesday after he chaired his first cabinet meeting since an operation for prostate

cancer July 18. The government spokesman, Nicolas Sarkozy, said Mr. Mitterrand, 77, had run the meeting "exactly as he has done for the past 17 months," since the conservative government of Prime Minister Edouard Balladur came to power.

"It is not up to me to pass judgment" on the president's form.

Mr. Sarkozy said. Asked how the meeting went, Foreign Minister

Alain Juppe said: "Very good. As usual."

### Spanish Fishermen Maintain Cordon 🕴

GLION, Spain (AP) - Spanish fishermen continued blockading Spanish and French ports Wednesday on the Cantabrian coast, prompting a jam-up of merchant ships on both sides of the

Spain to the French port of Hendaye, with some fishermen using their time manning the blockade as a chance to repair or clean

Port authorities along the coast reported no serious violence. The blockade began Tuesday when the boats gathered to protest what Spanish fishermen say is European Union laxity in enforcing regulations prohibiting the use of long drift nets for tuna fishing.

## U.K. Sees Better Security in Egypt

CAIRO (Reuters) - The British government believes the

The last incident of concern was in March and this speaks for itself," said the British assistant foreign secretary, Tony Baldry, in Cairo at the end of a three-day visit. A German tourist was killed

in March after gummen fired on a Nile cruiser. Mr. Baldry said he was "greatly impressed" by the measures taken by Egypt to protect tourists. The British government slightly amended its travel advice for Egypt earlier this month, deleting the sentence "Further incidents must be expected in Cairo and elsewhere." But it still urges visitors to avoid the Assyut area in

southern Egypt, where Islamic militants have been most active. Americans in Algeria should exercise "utmost precaution," the U.S. Embassy warned in Algiers. It said the United States has received information indicating that Americans may be targeted for attack or kidnapping in Algeria.

Wednesday. Officials said the fire destroyed up to 5,000 hectares (12,355 acres) of pine forest.

A Danish car ferry with 471 passengers on board was under tow from the Jutland Peninsula to Zealand Island on Wednesday after a fire caused its engine to fail. No one was injured by the fire on the Prinsesse Anne-Marie.

in a crackdown on child Gypsies working as pickpockets, the police in Nice are patrolling the Promenade des Anglais on horseback, in electric cars and disguised as bike riders. They said they do not act against the children but their parents. (AFP)

MGM Grand Inc., whose first try at an "all frills" sirline was a failure, will relaunch luxury flights between Los Angeles and New

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## Jews in Argentina Face a New Enemy Foreign Terrorism Replaces Local Neo-Nazis of the 1950s By James Brooke New York Times Service

**BUENOS AIRES** — Moshe Korin looks back with almost a touch of nostalgia to the simpler days of the 1950s, when he and other Jewish teenagers car-ried clubs and bicycle chains to defend synagogues from gangs

of Argentine neo-Nazis. "Then, we knew who are enemies were, where they went to university, which cafes they frequented," Mr. Korin, now a principal of a Jewish school, recalled over tea. "Now, we are up against highly sophisticated groups. International terrorism is now installed in Argentina."

Workers rolled oil drums in front of the school; filled with Beirut-style defense against car

week at a Jewish cultural center left about 100 dead and 231 wounded and tore open a co-America's largest Jewish population. Long ago, this community of 250,000 people had become accustomed to low-level harassment, from spray-painted swastikas to homemade noise bombs.

"Before it was child's play — with clubs or spray paint," said Clara Jaia de Rubin, principal of another Jewish school. "But something has changed. Now we are going to incorporate these new measures into our

tors, electronic burglar alarms, ers by an overwhelmingly Rotelevision cameras monitoring man Catholic population. the street and, to discourage bomb threats, answering ma-

chines to record calls. Telephone bomb threats forced the temporary evacuation Monday of the Israeli Embassy and the Argentine Hebraica Society, a major cultural

With school classes starting this week after the end of the Southern Hemisphere winter holidays, federal police agents are providing protection to 283 Jewish institutions in greater Buenos Aires.

At the center of the security operation are children like Julian Rotenberg, a nursery school pupil.

"All week long, he has been asking things like: What is a bomb? Why are there bad people?" Judith Rotenberg said, holding the hand of her 21/2-

Upstairs, a second-grader named Carolina drew her response to a class assignment: depict your wish for the second

"I wish that no more bombs will be placed, in schools or

anywhere else," she wrote next to a drawing of a high-rise city

The building was marked AMIA - short for Argentine Jewish Mutual Aid Association. In each window there was a face. Next to the building was an upside down car and a red stain marked PLAF — Spanish for BOOM.

"The fear expressed by the children is: Where will the next bomb be?" Mrs. Rubin said. "Even the teachers have said that they are afraid to work in a Jewish school."

Despite the fears, principals of Jewish schools said that attendance Tuesday was near sand, the drums would form a normal, ranging from 87 percent to 99 percent.

There was some hysteria in The truck bombing here last the family, but most of us are for continuity," Enrique River said as he waited to pick up his 3-year-old grandson. "We are coon of security for Latin not going to show any weak-

indeed, many Argentine Jews have dug in their heels.

"My husband and I had no doubt about continuing to send our son to a Hebrew school," Mrs. Rotenberg said as security guards checked purses of mothers picking up their children. "If we had to renounce our freedom to choose our school, we would have to go."

Although some Argentine Jews trace their arcestry here She listed new measures to back a century, many complain protect her school: metal detec- that they are still seen as outsid-

> Illustrating this paradox, the appointed mayor of Buenos Aires, Saul Bouer, is Jewish, but 25 percent of respondents to a recent high school survey said that Argentina should "throw

"Don't make us feel like foreigners in our own country," a Jewish newspaper, Nueva Sion, appealed Monday in an editorial addressed to President Carlos Saul Menem.

#### 2 Iranians Questioned In Buenos Aires Blast

tine investigators Wednesday were questioning two Iranians in connection with a bomb blast at a Jewish center here last week in which at least 96 people were killed, local media said.

Radio stations quoting judicial sources said an Iranian woman was detained Tuesday at the airport trying to leave the country, and a man was also being questioned.

## **BUENOS AIRES** — Argen-

BONN - Chancellor Helmut Kohl's government said Wednesday that neo-Nazis who went on a rampage at the World War II Nazi death camp at Buchenwald last weekend must be

The U.S. Embassy heresaid Washington would fully support Germany's efforts to punish those responsible for rightist violence and had offered help to local authorities in pursuing the

Buchenwald suspects. The law must be absolutely clear here," Chancellery Minis-ter Friedrich Bohl said. "The criminal attack by rightist extremists on the Buchenwald camp memorial calls for swift and severe punishment." Police action against the rioters could have been taken more

quickly if the new laws been in

place, he said

Stiff Sentences Urged for Neo-Nazis



## Mideast Peace: Is Arafat Odd Man Out? Hussein, Rabin and Clinton Are at the Center of Attention

By Thomas L. Friedman New York Times Service

WASHINGTON - The ease with which President Bill Clinton, Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin of Israel and King Hussein of Jordan got along these last few days was palpable. They wore their respect for one another on their sleeves, bantering freely, shaking hands with real warmth, and clearly enjoying doing busi-

ness as equals. And that could be really dangerous especially for Yasser Arafat.

It could be dangerous because the major problems to be solved are not between King Hussein and Israel. They are between Mr. Arafat, the Palestinian leader, and Israel. But there is going to be an enormous

temptation for Israelis and Americans, now that they really have a choice, to gravitate toward King Hussein, who, Israeli officials say bluntly, is everything Mr. Arafat is not — organized, authoritative, dependable, straightforward, efficient, regal and discreet.

No wonder that, after 10 months of

dealing with Mr. Arafat, a few Israelis could be heard to say, "Wouldn't it be nice if we could settle all of this with King Hussein?"

It is no wonder that Mr. Arafat and his aides in Gaza looked upon all the handshaking with a good deal of suspicion. Israel and Jordan now are like the two arms of a nutcracker. Mr. Arafat is the walnut. This could get interesting

The accord between King Hussein and the Israelis "has revived a lot of fantasies" that maybe Israel can curtail Mr. Arafat's influence over the rest of the West Bank by helping King Hussein reassert at least some of his authority there, said Stephen Cohen, director of the Montreal Center for Middle East Peace.

"If the Israelis just want to avoid the Palestinization of the Muslim holy places in Jerusalem, that is a containable issue," he added. "But if it is the fullblown fantasy - that the Palestinians are not going to be in control of themselves in the West Bank - then we are heading for big trouble.

"Everyone likes Hussein. He is an

enormously decent man. But that feeling

has to stay at the personal level, because otherwise they are courting disaster. If there is a struggle for control of the West Bank and Israel backs Jordan indirectly, that could undermine many things."

In fact, the struggle has already resur-LUSIOLA Israel, Jordan and the Palestinians have been tugging and pulling at each

other since the early part of this century. Mostly, it has been Jordan and the Palestinians trying to dominate each other in a competition for control of Jerusalem and

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the West Bank. Israel watched from the sidelines, occasionally giving a boost to

As of Monday, this three-way wrestling match has taken on a new dimension. Now all three parties have open contacts with one another, and Israel is holding the two things that both Jordan and the Palestinians want most -domination of the West Bank and control of the Jerusalem Muslim shrines.

How Israel uses its power to reward either King Hussein or Mr. Arafat in their pursuit of these two enormously important assets is going to be at the core of Arab-Israeli politics.

And Israeli officials say they must be careful not to let the competition get out of hand, or it may blow up in their faces. Many, including top U.S. officials, would agree that it is too late for the "Jordan option," which meant turning control of the West Bank and the Muslim shrines in East Jerusalem back to King Hussein, who lost them in the 1967

Thirty years or so ago, before the creation of the Palestine Liberation Organization, it might have been possible. But it is not possible anymore. King Hussein has formally renounced any responsibility for the West Bank and the Gaza Strip. A vast majority of Palestinians there under the age of 30 have never known Jordanian rule and have allegiance only to Mr. Arafat, the PLO or the radical Islamic group Hamas.

Nevertheless, now that the king has

come out of the cold, the differences between him and Mr. Arafat could make it increasingly tempting for Israel to try to restore at least some of Jordan's influence in the West Bank and East Jerusa-

Israeli and American officials say they have no intention of doing that, but capabilities create intentions. And King Hussein's capability for maintaining order and running a country are for the moment so vastly superior to Mr. Arafat's that it could give rise to a whole new set of unintended intentions between him and Israel. The first sign of that came on Monday, when Israeli officials inserted in the

Washington Declaration a paragraph stating: "Israel respects the present spestating: " cial role of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan in Muslim holy shrines in Jerusalem. When negotiations on the permanent status will take place. Israel will give high priority to the Jordanian historic role in these shrines." Israeli officials said this was a direct message to Mr. Arafat not to even think about trying to assert control over the shrines, which he claims now fall under

the realm of his new Palestinian National Authority. King Hussein and Prime Minister Rabin barely mentioned the Palestinian people when they spoke to Congress, and they spoke of the Arab-Israeli conflict as though it were a Jordanian-Israeli con-

"The great irony of all this," said an Israeli historian, Meron Benvenisti, "is that it was Arafat's decision to make peace with Israel that paved the way for this Israeli-Jordanian rapprochement, which is going to squeeze him in the middle. Hussein never could have come to Washington had Arafat not come first, and now Arafat is going to pay the price for that."

Whether it is a big price or a small price, is not clear yet. It will be clear in a few years, when Mr. Arafat is either president of a Palestinian state encompassing the West Bank and the East Jerusalem holy places - as he sees himself - or mayor of Gaza, as his critics have already branded him.

## TRAVEL UPDATE

security situation has improved in Egypt, where two tourists were killed and about 30 wounded in attacks by Muslim militants in the two years up to March this year.

A forest fire that raged for two days in a World War I battle-ground in Turkey's Gallipoli Peninsula killed a fire chief and charred several war monuments before it could be contained early

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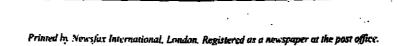
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## THE AMERICAS / THE PLOT

## Fear of a Killer in Their Midst Haunts Scientists at Rockefeller University

By John J. Goldman

Los Angeles Tunes Service NEW YORK - Over the years, scientists at Rockefeller University - one of the world's pre-eminent research institutions — have identified DNA. They found the first cancer virus. They managed to grow the malaria parasite and they wrestled with some of biology's most complex

Now, they are trying to solve their most terrifying mystery: Who seems to be trying to kill them?

The police disclosed Tuesday that some-One at the campus along the East River in Manhattan put poison in coffee and tea, deliberately left gas jets on in a molecular

biology laboratory, set a fire and sent the resignation of the two women. "It's my threatening letters to two women among the scientists.

The events over five days in June, first detailed in the Tuesday issue of The Wall Street Journal, have spread fear through portions of the university, which over the years produced 19 Nobel Prize winners. Laboratory workers have taken lie detector tests and have been questioned by.

"We believe it's a disgruntled employ-e," said John Hill, chief of detectives in Manhattan. "We're working on the theory

it's jealousy of these two women." "We have a suspect in mind," he added. Detective Hill said the letters demanded

opinion the person who is responsible for these acts is an employee there still," he added. He declined to identify the women.

Events at the university, which was founded by John D. Rockefeller in 1901 after his first grandchild died of scarlet fever, center on the molecular biology lab-oratory headed by Professor Robert

The police said that on June 6, a group of workers in the 15th-floor laboratory became ill after drinking tea and coffee. At first, the scientists believed cream or perhaps the sugar, which had tasted bitter, had been tainted in some manner. But as the illnesses worsened and events pro-

On June 7, gas jets were left on in Professor Roeder's laboratory, which could have caused an explosion. Workers turned off the valves and nothing bad happened.

On June 8, a small fire was discovered in a closet. Paper towels were smoldering and it was classed as arson. Two days later, letters containing death threats to the two scientists were found in a women's res-

Roeder and to Rockefeller University offi-

"They were threatening in nature. They

Two more letters were sent to Professor

gressed, it became clear the beverages had been poisoned. wanted them to quit," Detective Hill said. The letters also contained chilling news for the biologists, all of whom had recovered from the tainted brew.

The letters confirmed that the tea and coffee had been poisoned with sodium fluoride, which in greater concentrations could kill. Sodium fluoride was one of the chemicals stocked in the molecular biology

Detective Hill said investigators believed the poisoning was as a warning.
"There were many chemicals that could kill you instantly in that lab," he added.

For more than a month, the police and Rockefeller University security officials conducted a quiet investigation. That be-

came increasingly difficult as word of the troubling events at Rockefeller spread to other research institutions.

Officials at Rockefeller University said security precautions had been increased at Professor Roeder's basic genetics laboratory, where 40 scientists and technicians work. A spokesman declined to describe the precautions.

Detectives believe professional rivalry is behind the attacks. Although it is set in a quiet campus with trees, lawns and a tennis court on the Upper East Side, Rockefeller University is a highly competitive place. There are no undergraduates, only graduate students. Pressure to produce is in-

#### **Away From Politics**

 How was a man sought in connection with the World Trade Center bombing granted a visitor's permit to Canada? Immigration officials there want to know. The man - Charles Lee Knox, also known as Mahmond Abbas and Mahmond Abbas Amonzi — is being held in custody pending a deportation hearing

• A propage truck crashed into a highway abutment in White Plains, New York, killing the driver and igniting intense fireballs that burned nine houses and injured 24

 One in five Americans drinks water that is inadequately treated for toxic chemicals, bacteria, parasites and other pollutants, according to an examination by the Natural Resources Defense Council of nationwide compliance with federal drinking water standards.

 An explosion at a rocket engine test site in southern California killed two workers and seriously burned a third, unleashing flames that scorched 15 acres of brush. The Simi Valley workers were preparing chemicals for a test at the time of the blast, a company spokesman said.





EX-CULTISTS EXTRADITED - Susan Hagan considering her plight Wednesday after a London court ordered her and another ex-follower of Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh extradited to the United States. They face charges of conspiring to murder a state's attorney.

### Senate Whacks at Art Funds

WASHINGTON — The Senate has approved by voice vote an appropriations bill that would cut the budget of the National million, in the 1995 fiscal year. The endowment's budget for the 1994 fiscal year is \$170

Because the House version of the bill calls for a 2 percent cut, a House-Senate conference committee must produce a compromise

The 5 percent cut was recommended by the Senate Appropriations Committee, whose chairman, Robert C. Byrd, a West Virginia Democrat, has expressed dismay at a widely publicized performance in Minneapolis by Ron Athey that was sponsored by the Walker Art Center and received endowment money. As part of his performance, Mr. Athey

used a scalpel to inscribe ritual patterns in the back of a fellow artist infected with the AIDS virus. He then blotted the designs with pieces of towel paper and hung them over the audience on a clothesline.

Arts administrators have described the Senate's proposed budget reduction as a serious blow to the endowment, especially since it would reduce by 40 percent the budgets of three specific programs: visual arts, performing arts, and presenting and commissioning. In his remarks to the Appropriations Committee in late June, Mr. Byrd said he wanted to take aim at the endowment programs, "which have been at the center of recent controversies." During Senate debate on Monday, he said his personal preference had been to impose even deeper cuts. (NYT)

### Sparing No Expense on Memos

WASHINGTON - This just in from the budget-conscious State Department: A recent memo from the office of the undersecretery for internations people that the office "now has the new stationery for Lynn E. Davis, with her new title of Under Secretary of State for Arms Control and International Security Affairs. Her old title, changed a few months ago, did not have the words "arms control" in it.

Stationery notwithstanding, it is not clear how many arms Ms. Davis actually controls. Word was that she was backing the attempt to kill the independent Arms Control and Disarmament Agency. But the agency managed to survive and to keep a substantial chunk of the arms control portfolio.

Moreover, the hottest action now is the North Korean nuclear problem, something that falls to the assistant secretary for politico-military affairs, Robert L. Gallucci, said to be a rising star with this administration.
Technically, Mr. Gallucci reports directly to

A source says there were oral instructions from Ms. Davis's office to discontinue using the old stationery.

### Quote/Unquote

"No American, including the president of the United States, is entitled to information on the development of criminal referrals," Representative Jim Leach of Iowa, ranking Republican on the House Banking Committee, at the opening day of the Whitewater

Report on

## Clinton's Presidency: Images for a TV Generation

By Michael Wines

Clinton's presidency has always done it. spun from its reel so fast, with scenes of achievement and grace swiftly eclipsed by scenes

This happened occasionally to Mr. Clinton's predecessors

— George Bush threw up on of dishevelment and awkward- television, after all, at the cli-

So it did not seem at all odd to see both on the screen at once, separated only by the click of a tuner.

White House between Yitzhak Rabin and King Hussein, bask-ing in his second Middle East died 32 days later has presidendiplomatic triumph, hearing Jordan's leader say he was "proud to have you as our pari-

And there — click — was Mr. Clinton's counsel, Lloyd N. elsewhere, in Mr. Clinton's un-Cutler, parked before a micro- made-bed style of policy-makphone, telling a House commit-ing, in his and his staff's newtee investigating Whitewater ness to governing and in the rise policy.

that administration officials of tabloid-style news, both in Wew York Tomes Service had done nothing wrong, really, print and on television.

WASHINGTON — Bill but that they shouldn't have Together, they are

#### **NEWS ANALYSIS**

max of a Tokyo trade confer-There was Mr. Clinton in the ence — but not since William Henry Harrison caught pneumonia at his inauguration and tial triumph seemed so closely dogged by fate.

> Some of it is fate, and a past that refuses to stay in the past. But a large measure is rooted

Together, they are eroding not only the president's political and moral standing, but the

policies he is trying to promote.

problem to "nalvete and hu-

In this case, the Whitewater cloud fogs not only the Middle minute drive for health legislation, perhaps the central issue of the Clinton presidency.

President Clinton's European summit conference this month, essentially a bid to establish his foreign-policy credentials, was negated by his administration's foundering Haiti

In January, the naming of a got him to the White House to Whitewater special counsel drowned out the signing of a Political parties no longer vet drowned out the signing of a nuclear-arms accord in candidates or even choose

The president's first State of "A cloud does tend to be the Union Message, a booming there that's always following call for fiscal restraint and wise him through the fields," a investment, was wiped from White House official said this memory weeks later when the week, attributing much of the White House's first budget bill — a \$20 billion package of "stimulus" spending — was de-

nounced as pork, and rejected. Some White House officials East accord but also the last- suggest there is little the presi- and his sex life. dent can do about a victory-loss news media and his critics and victim of his own good inten-

> But if critics celebrate it and is a product of the process that and a half years."

them; increasingly, the candidates rise from outside Washington on the skill of commercials and press relations as well

Mr. Clinton is the latest modern master of the campaign, and his political aides once boasted of using the instant technology of modern news coverage during his race to bat down stories about Whitewater

"He procrastinates," said cycle they say is dictated by the Stephen Hess, the expert on presidents at the Brookings Inthat, in effect, Mr. Clinton is a stitution, "and things catch up with him. He'll let something slide, and then he throws the energy, the intellect and the the press spreads it, much of the cloud that follows Mr. Clinton It's been a high-wire act for one

## Future Fight: Pentagon Plans an H.G. Wells Defense

Los Angeles Times Service

WASHINGTON — Rememsion-guided bombs that were vestigating such questions. able to fly into a tiny chimney? Although Mr. Marshall re-Iraqi positions?

thing yet. Pentagon planners proved technology: say that as a result of such

military's increasing ability to tack enemy tanks ashore. use computer links, communications systems, satellites and fire will be targeted by space sensors to bolster dramatically based, intelligence-gathering both the range and the accuracy satellites, which would not only both the range and the accuracy of conventional weapons such as bombs and missiles. track enemy troops and weapons bombs and missiles.

distances, not moving into a American barrage had ended.

battle zone until most weapons

Staples of today's armed there have been destroyed. At the Defense Department,

five task forces are studying the will become obsolete, to be renew ways of warfare. Both the placed by "supersmart" mis-Defense Department and some siles and high-speed land vehi-Defense Department and some defense-oriented consulting cles. If ground troops are firms have begun conducting needed, they will be sent on firms have begun conducting classified war games designed to probe the capabilities of the new technology. Officials predict that within a

few years, the military will begin replacing its current way of war fighting with futuristic techniques that would have been inconceivable even at the start of the Gulf War.

"We're just at the beginning head and killed here early

"We're just at the beginning of kind of fully exploring and understanding what they really might be," said Andrew W.

sessment, a top-secret Pentagon of targets all across a theater of ber the 1991 Gulf War? Preci- research body charged with in-

F-117 Stealth fighters that fused to go into details, the could penetrate Iraqi airspace changes being considered undetected? A satellite tracking would effectively junk much of system that helped pinpoint today's war-fighting doctrine and substitute new forms of Well, you haven't seen any military tactics based on the im-

• Instead of sending huge flashy new technology, the world may be on the verge of a revolution in the way the major at a distance, using long-range, powers fight wars — possibly precision-guided missiles that the biggest such advance in war will replace face-to-face comfighting since World War II. bat. Navy warships far out at Sparking the revolution is the sea might be called upon to at-

 Both missile and artillery as bombs and missiles.

This means U.S. troops increasingly will fight from longer one assess the damage once the

> Staples of today's armed forces --- such as tanks, manned bombers and aircraft carriers supersonic transport planes. Moreover, U.S. forces will be

Basque Is Slain as Informer

Wednesday in an attack blamed on ETA Basque separatists, the

of targets all across a theater of As a result of the revolution, and 'finders.' "Any target that operations, melding air, sea and Andrew F. Krepinevich Jr., a can be identified most likely land forces as never before. Sol- retired army lieutenant colonel, can be destroyed at once.

Marshall, head of the Defense able to launch simultaneous diers will be kept abreast by Department's Office of Net Assorties against massive numbers direct satellite links.

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## Health Bill's Drafters Ready to Move Ahead

WASHINGTON - House Democratic health committee staffers have completed work on a detailed outline of the reform bill that party leaders hope to introduce by week's end - if they can muster enough support from members.

The "summary of agree-ment" includes the expected features endorsed by the Chinton administration: a requirement that employers pay 80 percent of their workers insurbenefits package, and an option for certain people to buy health vision.

insurance through the federal

The bill promises universal coverage — President Bill Clinton's main goal — and also includes insurance market regulations that would prohibit companies from refusing to cover people with existing health problems. It contains

fallback cost controls.

Laura Nichols, a spokeswoman for House Majority Leader Richard A. Gephardt, Democrat of Missouri, called this "a staff working paper for the use of the leadership in ance costs; a comprehensive meeting with members" and said it may undergo further re-

Victim's Mother Sues O.J. Simpson

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The mother of Ronald L. Goldman has sued O.J. Simpson, alleging the former football star "willfully, wantonly and maliciously" killed her son, an attorney disclosed

Wednesday.
The lawsuit, filed by Sharon Rufo of St. Louis on July 20 in The lawsuit, filed by Sharon Rufo of St. Louis on July 20 in The lawsuit, filed by Sharon Rufo of St. Louis on July 20 in The lawsuit, filed by Sharon Rufo of St. Louis on July 20 in The lawsuit, filed by Sharon Rufo of St. Louis on July 20 in The lawsuit of the l Santa Monica Superior Court, seeks unspecified general and

Santa Monica Superior Court, seeks unspecified general and punitive damages from Mr. Simpson. It is the first wrongful death action filed in the June 12 knifing murders of Mr. Simpson's exwife, Nicole Brown Simpson, and Mr. Goldman.

On the night of the slayings, Mr. Goldman, a waiter at the On the night of the slayings, Mr. Simpson's condominium Mezzaliuna restaurant, had gone to Mrs. Simpson's condominium to return a pair of eyeglasses a member of her party had left there earlier that evening.

embarked on a plan to gain international

recognition and ease the crushing trade

embargo, according to sources close to the

United States and its allies enough reason

to claim that progress is being made to

begin a phased lifting of the sanctions,

while ensuring that the deposed president,

President Bill Clinton has said repeated-

ly that he has not ruled out the use of force

to make the military step aside and restore

Father Aristide, who was overthrown in September 1991 after seven months as

Haiti's first democratically elected presi-

dent. But U.S. officials have indicated no

On UN Aid Convoy

military action is imminent.

By John Pomfret

eton Post Service

SARAJEVO - Serbian

forces attacked a 10-truck Unit-

ed Nations convoy Wednesday

as it inched its way down a

mountain road toward Saraje-

vo, blowing up a fuel truck and killing a British soldier and a Bosnian civilian, UN officials

The assault came on the day that Bosnian Serbs shut the route, Sarajevo's main artery to

the outside world, to civilian -

That move effectively reinsti-

tuted the Serbian siege of Sara-

jevo and food prices in the city

immediately jumped by 50 per-

cent in some cases as edgy resi-

dents hoarded sugar, cooking

but not UN -- traffic.

Jean-Bertrand Aristide, does not return.

The broad goal of the plan is to give the

## UN Asks U.S. Help With Mass Burials

## Incinerators Are Also Sought As Corpses Pile Up in Zaire

By Barry James

The United Nations asked the United States on Wednesday to send troops to help bury the dead piling up around Goma in eastern Zaire as cholera raged through festering refugee camps, and the UN also appealed for incinerators to

burn the decomposing corpses. A UN spokesman, Panos Mountzis, who said that at least 18,000 have died of cholera and other causes in the past week, told Reuters in Goma that the United States had

troops and 30 trucks to bury the dead. U.S. military sources did not immediately provide confirmation.

Elsewhere, a U.S. military advance team was flying to Kizali on Wednesday to prepare to shift the U.S. base of operations for its humanitarian mission to the Rwandan capital. General George Joulwan, the supreme commander of allied forces in Europe, said in Stuttgart that U.S. troops would set up a series of feeding stations to encourage the refugees to move

Village elders, former government officials and militias have discouraged the Hutu refugees from returning. They tell them they will be slaughtered by the Tutsi-dominated Patriotic Front government in revenge for the massacre of up to 500,000 mostly Tutsi Rwan-

Only a few thousand of the estimated 1.2 million refugees around Goma have dared defy their leaders. J. Brian Atwood, who is coordinating U.S. aid in the region, said it was "uncon-scionable" that Hutu leaders responsible for genocide were still "urging people not to return to their country because they want to regroup the military forces

and continue this war." Up to 3,000 U.S. troops were expected to take part in the humanitarian operation, known as Support Hope. Canadian troops were on their way to Ki-gali to repair the war-damaged airport so that U.S. military transport planes could start re-

lief flights to the capital. In the refugee camps, people were dying of cholers and other diseases faster than aid workers and French troops could collect and bury them. A spokesman for the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees,



A Rwandan girl sitting next to the body of her father Wednesday on the road to a refugee camp in Zaire.

State Department and General Jack Nix, who heads the humanitarian operation, to provide teams to help gather the

So far, French troops have been largely responsible for the grisly task of collecting the bodies and burying them in mass graves, some of which have had to be blasted out of volcanic

whelmed, and the United Nations decided to ask for incinetators, despite the fact that cremation is against Rwandans' traditional religious practice.

There is the horrible need to bring incinerators to Africa to prevent an extremely serious epidemic from spreading to other areas," said Peter Hansen,

the United Nations undersecretary-general for humanitarian

"The situation in Goma is more horrendous than any description," he told Reuters in Kigali, French officials, meanwhile, said cholera also had broken out in the French security zone in southwestern Rwanda, although they did not say how seriously.

The cooperation between U.S. officials and the Patriotic Front in Kigali made it likely Mr. Atwood said during a press conference.

He said the United States first wanted to be sure the Patriotic Front was interested in a broad-based government that would reflect Rwanda's ethnic

concern over "a pattern of Bos-nian Serb provocations" in the former Yugoslavia and warned that NATO warplanes were prepared to launch strikes.

> from Serbian positions inside a high school had stopped. Two British soldiers were wounded in the shooting. Metal from one of the trucks was

> lodged in the chest of a soldier. Another was hit by machineand lungs, doctors said.

United Nations officials said it was unclear if British soldiers in the convoy had returned fire. Serbs for rejecting the plan.

Haiti Junta Maps a Way Out of Embargo.\* back, which was the concern in Phase One. By Douglas Farah Washington Post Service PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti — Haiti's So what we have to do is give the international community a way to recognize us without losing face." military rulers, believing they have stared down the threat of a U.S. invasion, have

In an effort to force the military to allow the return of Father Aristide, the United Nations, led by the United States, has placed an almost-total trade embargo on the impoverished nation. According to the UN resolution on the sanctions, the measures can be lifted gradually if the army commander, Licutenant General Raoul Cèdras, resigns and his chief of staff, Brigadier General Philippe Biamby, along with the police chief, Lieutenant Colonel Mi-

signed outside the country.

According to the sources, the scenario calls for General Cedras to resign before December. The de facto president, Emile Jonassaint, would then name the army deputy commander, Brigadier General Jean-Claude Duperval, to succeed him.

chel François, either resign or are reas-

General Duperval would then reassign "We are in the second phase now," said a source with close ties to the military General Biamby and Colonel François, leadership. "We believe there will be no giving their associates important new posts but removing the two from high-profile invasion, and Mr. Aristide is not coming

The raid was the latest in a

series of antagonistic moves by Bosnian Serbian forces aimed

at putting the international

community, the United Na-tions and the mostly-Muslim

government on notice that an

international peace plan will not be imposed on Bosnia and

that Serbian demands must be

Serbian forces last week re-

jected the plan that would di-

vide Bosnia into two sections, a

51 percent chunk controlled by

der run by the Serbs.

city of Visegrad.

If a Serb demand for the re-

UN convoys from moving through their territory, thereby

stranding several hundred

tions — the United States, Rus-

positions. However, all three would remain

in the country.
"We are willing to trade Cedras for Aristide," said a pro-military Haitian sen-ator, Bernard Sansaricq. "If we do that we

will let the country go free from this sima-The sources believe, as do many diplomats here, that such a move would virtual-

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ly eliminate the possibility of an invasion, while preserving the institutional cohesion That will create a whole new dynamic. said a businessman with ties to the high command. "We will say to the internation-

al community and Aristide: Now the ball is in your court. What are you going to do? Then negotiations can begin. A U.S. official said the removal of General Cédras would be a "major step" that

would allow the United States to claim enough of a victory to at least postpone a decision on armed intervention. "We would obviously claim our policy

was working, and I would guess it would buy several mouths at least," the official said.

### Pile of Bodies **Yields a Man Barely Alive**

GOMA, Zaire - The old man's head moved and his eyes opened as the body collectors threw him onto a truckload of corpses

Wednesday.
"He's alive! That man's alive!" a photographer ex-

The Zairian workers, going about the grisly task of picking up thousands of decomposing bodies, were unmoved

"He may be alive now, but he's dying and we're not going to be coming back this way today," the man in charge of the corpse crew told the photogra-pher. "We may as well take him now."

Journalists at the scene had to beg the worker to take the old man out of the reeking cargo and leave him beside the road. Ray Wilkinson, said the United Nations had asked the U.S.

But they were being over-

that Washington would soon recognize the new government,

oil, coffee and gas. In Washington, Reuters re-ported that Secretary of Defense William J. Perry on Wednesday expressed deep

> UN officials said NATO planes were called to the attack site but when they reached the Hrasnica suburb abutting Serbian-held territory the firing

France, will meet Saturday to

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adding that there could "hardly be com-

petitive parity so long as some airlines are

propped up." An aide to the U.S. transpor-

tation secretary said Wednesday that the

letter had been sent because the Clinton

burden, which will be treated as a capital

## Serbs in Bosnia Fire BOSNIA: War Again, but Worse?

and some ambivalence. There is always a possibility the Serbs will change their postion and we will get an agreement but it must be very sais. Charles E. Redenan, the O.S. special envoy to the Bosnian peace talks, said in a telephone interview.

Without an agreement, the United States, Russia and major West European powers have committed themselves to tough neasures against the Serbs. Tightening trade sanctions on Serbia is the first, but everyone knows that will scarcely make the Serbs tremble.

a federation of Croats and Mus-So a swift move to using lims and the 49 percent remain-North Atlantic Treaty Organization air power to enforce the zones around Sarajevo and Gorazde, from which Scribian Over the past week, Serbs have hit UN airplanes with heavy weapons are technically small-arms fire over Sarajevo, fired heavy weapons around the mostly-Muslim enclave of Gor-

excluded, is widely expected.

We are pressing ahead with
our planning for Saturday, inazde despite a NATO ultimacluding more sanctions and tum forbidding their use and stronger enforcement of exclutaken hostage two employees of sion zones," Mr. Redman said. the UN high commissioner for "The U.S. commitment to the refugees along with a Muslim package is growing and we'll be following through one way or the other." woman near the Serbian-held

In other words, whether it is lease of their prisoners of war from Muslim detention is not met by this weekend, they have warned they will also stop all in the execution of NATO air strikes, or the less likely eventuality of providing troops to police a peace agreement, the United States is going to be more involved in the changed

Bosman simation.

Peace, however, is a long United Nations soldiers in the isolated Muslim enclaves of shot, and planning for turning up the heating the Serbs is cur-Gorazde, Srebrenica and Zepa. Foreign ministers of five narently intense.

Apart from stricter policing -- which would presumably consider implementing a series have led to NATO attacks on a United Nations, NATO and the of punishments against the Serbian 40mm anti-aircraft. Bosman Muslims want a wider heavy machine gun and a Serbi- war, it will be a ruthless one.

AIRLINE: Air France Bailout Heads for Court Amid Competitors' Cries

exchange. Athens must stop giving the airline operating subsidies and provide better access to other European airlines

serving lucrative routes to Greek islands.

By far the most outspoken critic of the

green light for the French and Greek subsi-

dies was Sir Colin of British Airways.

"This is a bad day for Europe, a bad day

for European air travelers and a bad day

for the European Union," he said. He

added that Air France's problems were "of

Continued from Page 1 are 82mm morter used in the the plan, albeit with misgivings Gorazde area in the past few days - the creation of a new exclusion zone around the northern city of Tuzla is also contemplated, diplomats said.

But these plans — which could be valuerable to last-minnte Russian opposition — have major implications for the United Nations peacekeeping

force in Bosnia. Put simply, the UN soldiers are potential hostages for the Serbs and they could be dragged into a war while driving around in white tanks with a mission officially limited to

neacekeeping. Both the commander of the force in Bosnia, Lieutenant General Michael Rose of Britain and the UN secretary-general, Butros Butros Ghali, have taken note of this dilemma over the past week, and suggested the force would have to be

adapted or withdrawn. In recent days, the Bosnian Serbs have made it quite clear they are ready for an extension of the was and in a position to make life very difficult for the United Nations and for the Bosnian government.

They have fired on United Nations planes, temporarily closing Sarajevo aurport and stopping the arrival of food aid.

They have closed the one land route out of Sarajewo, whose opening in March effectively lifted the siege of the city. And they have threatened to cut off the city's electricity and water supplies.

The message, clearly orchestrated by the Bosnian Serbian Ratko Mladic, is that if the

in more self-help and less dependence on

Air France posted a 1993 loss of 8.5

billion francs and has outstanding debt of

37 billion francs. Alain Griotteray, a con-

servative member of France's National As-

sembly who last month wrote a report on

government aid to state companies, called

recently for a fresh look at Air France's

accounts. "There are parts of the 1993 deficit that one cannot explain and which

require a further audit," he said.

the state."

## ORPHANS: The Mouning of Children Is Less Dreadful Than the Silence

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times by as much as 1,000 children a day. So, too, have the number of deaths at the orphanage, now more than 10 a

day.
On Tuesday morning, volunteers carried two dozen small bodies from the buildings to a truck. The orphanage has just one doctor, a dozen nurses and only

five latrines, but it is a privi-

leged place compared with the destinations of most refugees. The two women who run the orphanage, Nimet Lalani of In-dia and Yvette Kakusu of Zaire, refuse to turn any child away. Both are strong figures, unembarrassed about cadging food, medicine and shelter from a va-

riety of foreign donors. Ms. Lalani is in near-perpetual motion, a slight woman with cropped salt-and-pepper hair who rages through wards, shouting at the staff.

"Mai mai!" she bellowed, using the Swahili for water. "Where are those useless girls who are supposed to wash the cholera children and keep them supplied with drinking water? The children are thirsty!"

Trained in Belgium and Canada, Ms. Lalani is the daughter of a Goma merchant. She is well aware of the Hum extremists' thousand Tutsi since April, when the death of Rwanda's Hutu president in asuspicious plane crash reignited a civil war and set off a season of ethnic

slaughter. The rebel Rwanda Patriotic Front, led by the Tutsi, has declared victory over the Rwandan Army in the war and last

week it formed a government. This week, thousands of Hutu refugees began to stream back home after the Tutsi said they would not take revenge for the massacres.

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children, who had nothing to do discovered. with the violence. What happened is not the children's fault. My job is to save lives."

But violence is never far away. A group of more than 100 Hutu children belonging to a Rwandan orphanage stormed out of the camp, taking their we are properly set up," an Istents — donated by cies - and other belongings.

"Their staff was made up of Rwandan Army officers' wives, and some of the children were theirs and not orphans at all, Maman Yvette said. "Soldiers kept trying to come into the camp, and we had to have one arrested who was caught outside a tent with a hand gre-

Since then three Zairian solseem able to defend their inter- arms.

"Many Hutu may be guilty as ests themselves when they need sin," she said, "but not these to -as an Israeli medical team

> The Israelis appeared at the orphanage Tuesday morning to set up a 120-bed field hospital to tend to the medical needs of the Goma area. Ms. Lalani wanted their help immediately. "We'll come tomorrow when

"Then my serious cases will be dead," Ms. Lalani shot back.

They arrived at a compromise. The Israelis would come back in the afternoon and take some of the most-serious chol-When the Israelis returned.

they and Ms. Lalani made the difficult choices of whom to take In the end the Israelis agreed to take 10. But Ms. Lalani rushed into a building and diers have been stationed at the returned with an 11th gravely ill entrance. But the two women child, thrusting it into their

#### administration was very concerned about the latest decisions in Brussels. The Olympic Airways package will allow the Greek airline to write off its debt

NAIROBI - Nearly 200 people have been killed in ethnic clashes in Burundi over the

The radio, monitored by the BBC in Nairobi on Tuesday, said the clashes took place in the northwestern Mbuye dis-trict. Two camps for displaced people have been set up, it said. The radio said Mbuye was completely deserted after the

Hutu and minority Tutsi tribes.

But it has been spared the bloodletting that has raged in its central African neighbor after both countries' presidents were killed in a plane crash

## 200 Reported Killed in Burundi Clashes

last few days, Burundi Radio

clashes between the majority April 6.

mas as especially successful in

A key question, voiced both

Syria holds a whip hand over

the Hezbollah in Lebanon, so

Damascus might see some

bombings as a reminder for the

West that only Syrian authority

In the past, Iran has been

caught using its diplomatic fa-

cilities to supply weapons and explosives, funds and intelli-

gence to terrorists who have in-filtrated Western countries.

promote hard-line fundamen-

talist regimes, has seemed to

disregard the steps toward

China Leader to Visit Russia

MOSCOW - The Chinese

president, Jiang Zemin, will vis-

it Russia during the first week

of September, President Boris N. Yeltsin said Wednesday.

The visit will be the first to

Moscow by a Chinese head of state since the 1950s.

Arab-Israeli peace.

But in recent months, Iran,

can curb the last extremists.

terrorist outbreak

gone on, the preparations have by Mr. Rabin and by special-advanced, the money has been ists, is the possibility that Syria advanced, the money has been showing up in different places," she said, underlining what other specialists' have said - that fran has the capability for a

backed terrorist groups have been setting up secret cells in Western countries, citing Ha-

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Burundi has the same ethnic makeup as Rwanda and bas had intermittent clashes between Hutu and Tutsi since its first Hutu president, Melchior Ndadaye, was murdered by ren-

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National Security Studies in forging clandestine networks in

"Clearly, the training has is linked in some way to the

worldwide campaign.
The specialists said Iranian-

## LUXEMBOURG

#### expensive accommodations like the budget hotels of Red Roof Inns or the "upper economy" lodging offered by La Quinta

John Kaegi, senior vice president of marketing for La Quinta, which has 220 hotels, said the number of national contracts the company has with medium-sized and large companies had risen to more than 450.

from about 80 two years ago.

have decided to send their emprofitably offer the low fares ployees on more trips as the that business and leisure travelbusiness outlook brightens.

injection by the European Commission. In its own making" and that "the solution lies

say that more corporate purse strings will be loosened as profits its fare structure to charge every strings will be loosened as profits the structure to charge every structu its improve. There is definitely eryone the same fare on many more of a cyclical element to routes, it can fill its planes and this, said Paul Karos, an airline analyst for CS First Boston.

Yet, the airline industry is . The cost-cutting efforts by worried. Airlines are trying to companies underscore the

To be sure, many companies lower their costs so they can ers demand. Continental Air-And some industry analysts lines has bet that by drastically

farcs with extra passengers.

FARES: Companies Encouraging Business Travelers to Fly Frugal Class gamesmanship that characterizes the relationship between the airlines and their passon-

> 1978, fares were based on mileage, and most people aboard a flight had paid the same fare. Then airlines started using computers to develop complex fare structures that charged what the market would bear, meaning business travelers paid much higher fares than leisure

gers. Before deregulation in

## ITALY: Prime Minister's Brother to be Arrested in Scandal

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been arranged with the magistrates investigating the case.

Even though Fininvest's senior managers have come under fire, there has been no implication until now that the prime minister, who ran Fininvest personally until he entered politics earlier this year, had direct

knowledge of corrupt practices.

In a statement tonight, he defended the business practices of Fininvest, a \$7.5 billion-a-year congiomerate. "Certainly if you want to find a pin out

of place in a huge corporation, in a mountain, you can find it," Silvio Berlusconi while not diluting its efforts to He added, "I do not want to occupy myself with these things, but I can say that if all corporations were run like Fininvest,

> rality in Italy." The prime minister's verbal offensive against the magistrates came little more than a week after the government had to revoke a decree designed to stifle their work by forbidding the use of preventive detention for corruption suspects. It had met with a storm of protest both from the public and from members of Mr. Berlus-

there would be no problems of public mo-

coni's fractious government coalition. The prime minister has also come under swirling about the prime minister and his heavy fire for meeting Sunday with Finin-

vest lawyers, just as news of the investiga-tion into Paolo Berlasconi was filtering out. Members of his cabinet also attended the meeting.

Opposition leaders stepped up their attacks on the prime minister, accusing him of hypocrisy and serious conflict of inter-"The affair around Paolo Berluscon augments the impression that we are deal-

ing with a prime minister who is a hypocrite." Beniamino Andreasta, a former foreign minister, said. Mr. Andreatta said the prime minister's defense of the ill-starred decree as a means of upholding habeas corpus had proved to be the "masking of an effort to block

justice." But Giuliano Ferrara, the cabinet spokesman, denied favoritism toward relatives or business associates played any role

in Prime Minister Berluscoui's decisions. "The government has no brothers, cousins, brothers-in-law or relatives," he told a television interviewer. The government is

company was cutting into his popularity.

the government of the republic." The results of public opinion surveys

According to a survey conducted by a polling group generally sympathetic to Mr. Beriusconi, only 70 percent of voters who said they voted for his party in March's national elections said they would do so again if elections were held today. In a survey commissioned by the opposition Party of the Democratic Left, the former Communists, only 60 percent of Mr. Berluscom's backers said they would remain

## Italian Judge Orders Craxi to Return Home

Agence France Presse ROME — An Italian judge has ordered former Socialist prime minister; Bettino Craxi, to leave his Tunisia retreat and return home, where he faces a possible 11 years in jail.

Judge Adele Rando issued the ruling Wednesday during a trial covering one of about 20 corruption cases in which Mr. Craxi has been charged.

In theory Mr. Craxi should now return released Wednesday appeared to suggest, to Italy, where prosecutors in the separate however, that the storm of controversy Milan-based Banco Ambrosiano corruption trial called Monday for him to be sentenced to 11 years.

## Wary of Rebels, 5 Nations May Retrain Cambodia Army By Michael Richardson

tional Herald Tribune BANGKOK - Alarmed at the prospect of a Khmer Rouge comeback in Cambodia, a group of Western and Asian countries that played a key role in placing an elected government in Phnom-

Penh are planning to help make the Cambodian Army a more effective fighting force. Western officials who attended a high-level meeting of 12 Asia-Pacific countries and the European Union that ended Wednesday said that a consensus had emerged on the need for foreign unlitary assistance to Cambodia after the Khmer Rouge made gains on the battlefield against the poorly disciplined and badly organized government forces.

The United States, France, Australia, Indonesia and Malaysia are expected to begin a coordinated program soon to support a Cambodian government plan to restructure and retrain the

engineering and construction equipment to the Cambodian armed forces and some training for officers in the United States, now seems ready to send military training teams and advisers.

It is not clear, however, whether arms and combat equipment will be provided by the United States, and perhaps some of the countries in the aid group, at a later stage.

Analysts said that such a move would be opposed by China and Thailand. Both countries argue that it would inflame the situation in Cambodia and that Phnom Penh and the Khmer Rouge should settle their political differences in

In an interview on Wednesday, Winston Lord, the U.S. assistant secretary of state for East Asian and Pacific Affairs, did not rule out the possibility-that the United States could provide weapons and ammunition, if requested by the Cambodian coalition government. That govern-

The United States, which recently provided ment took office after winning general elections in May 1993 that were supervised by the United Nations but boycotted by the Khrner Rouge.

Mr. Lord said that the initial emphasis of any new U.S. aid to the Cambodian military would be "on reform and organization before looking at other kinds of assistance."

"But certainly training will be a very large part of it," he added. "We already do some and we may step that up."

He said that the Clinton administration would "consult Congress closely as we move ahead" to broaden military aid to Cambodia.

Mr. Lord declined to predict when a U.S. program could begin. But I think we can move very quickly in terms of training and reform" to ensure that any aid is properly used.

Once that begins effectively, other forms of assistance might follow in its wake, again in close consultation with Congress," he added.

The foreign ministers of Indonesia and Malaysia said at a press conference Wednesday that their governments had agreed to provide military training assistance to Cambodia.

France is already working closely with the Cambodian military and has promised more aid. An Australian military team was recently in Cambodia to give detailed recommendations to Canberra on the most effective form of Austra-

lian support Officials said that the five nations that would be working with Phnom Penh had formed an informal group through their embassies there to coordinate their efforts and prevent duplication.

Gareth Evans, the Australian foreign minister, said at the Bangkok meeting that although his nation had made no final decision on assistance. "we believe we might be able to help in designing a comprehensive training plan for the whole" of the Cambodian armed forces.

### Khmer Rouge Ambush Train,

Leaving 9 Dead

Agence France-Presse PHNOM PENH - Nine people were killed and scores injured when Khmer Rouge guerrillas attacked a train in southern Cambodia, taking more than 200 passengers captive, including three foreigners, a rail official said Wednesday.

The rebels detonated two mines, one under the train's engine and the other under the last car, on Tuesday afternoon as the train passed through the Kompong Trach district of Kampot Province, about 130 kilometers (80 miles) south of Phnom Penh, the director of the state rail, Pich Kimsreang, said.

"After the mine explosion, the Khmer Rouge started firing heavily at the train," he said.

Five civilians, two soldiers and two train militiamen were killed in the ambush and many others were wounded.

The guerrillas boarded the train and robbed passengers before marching more than 200 of them off into the nearby jungle around Phnom Voar, he said. The rebels later allowed some passengers to go free, but were still holding scores of others.

## **EUROPEAN TOPICS**

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#### Chickens Die by Tons From German Heat

Unusually hot weather in Europe has taken a heavy toll on livestock. In Lower Saxony State, where half of all Germany's chickens are raised, those tightly packed into cages have been dying of heat stress at an alarming rate: 325 tons in a few days.

Like all birds, the chicken cannot sweat. When ventilation is bad, the chickens' hearts race and death often follows. Those that die prematurely, the weekly Der Spiegel reports, are turned into animal feed, mostly exported to Poland.

Lower Saxony law requires that no more than 30 kilograms (66 pounds) of living fowl — about 20 chick-ens — be packed into I square meter (11 square

Despite growing calls for tighter standards, chicken farmers in Lower Saxony say the law makes it hard for them to compete with their counterparts in the Netherlands or Denmark, for example, where standards are

#### Around Europe

A voicano museum, largely underground, is to be built in France's central Auvergne region. The design, by the Austrian architect Hans Hollein, was selected by the head of the regional council. the former French president. Valery Giscard d'Estaing, who overruled a jury's preference for a Frenchman, Jean-Michel Wilmotte, designer of the Louvre Museum's new Richelieu wing. The new museum, said Mr. Giscard d'Estaing, will "simulate a voyage to the center of the Earth." featuring caves and chasms. The only above-ground portion

of the museum, due to open

in three years near the town, of Saint-Ours-les-Roches will be a huge mock-up of a volcano. The simulation may seem redundant: 112 extinct volcanos dot the Auvergne landscape.

Lottery winners in Germany are increasingly unlikely to mention their winnings to their spouses, according to officials of WestLotto in Münster, Sometimes lottery staff must meet the winners in a car or on a park bench to keep spouses in the dark. Legaily, the clients' desire for secrecy poses no problem: A, winning ticket is considered' contract strictly between its possessor and the lottery:

The art of the carefully gauged insult is practiced at a high level in the British Parliament. Too mild and the insult fails to leave the intended mark. Too strong and the insulter incurs the

wrath of the speaker. Now comes a useful guide to what can be gotten away with. Phil Mason has assembled an anthology of MPs' ravings, and he shared some of the more colorful insults with Matthew Parris of The Times.

Thus, "liar," "fat bounder" and "pompous sod" have been ruled unsuitable for MPs ears, but "amiable dumbbell," "fathead" and "hamster" have been allowed. "Nosy parker" is a

"Hardly credible," "arch confidence tricksters" and 'economical with the truth" have been struck down, but one may accuse one's counterpart of "cooking the fig-

References to the Lords as "noble and learned camels" apparently offend animal lovers. "Cheeky young pup" was also disallowed. But there is nothing to prevent describing a fellow member as "an inflated pig's bladder on a stick.

How's that again?

Brian Knowlton

## KOREA: Defector (or Is He?) Says North Has 5 Bombs

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defector falls well beyond and well outside of those parameters," he said.

But true or not, there was concern that by putting the defector before the world so ostentatiously at this sensitive moment, the South Korean government could poison the atmosphere at high-level talks between U.S. and North Korean officials next week on the nuclear issue. The two sides are scheduled to meet in Geneva on Aug. 5, resuming talks that were suspended three weeks ago after the death of the North's leader, Kim Il Song.

There are some officials in

Seoul who believe the American and South Korean governments may be induced to give up too much in the negotiations with Pyongyang, which they do not trust. So there was speculation that the officials might have been trying to pre-empt such a prospect by painting the North

Korean nuclear program in the starkest possible terms. At the least, the frightening scenario depicted by Mr. Kang is likely to raise the stakes at the Geneva talks, which are aimed at opening North Korea's nu-clear facilities to international

inspections and at halting any program to produce plutonium, the raw material for nuclear

## Kim Jong Il Absence Sustains Mystery

SEOUL - North Korea held military ceremonies Wednesday that some observers had expected to mark the formal completion of the secretive state's power transfer, but no such sign emerged. No new titles were used to refer to Kim Jong II, son of the late leader Kim II Sung, who has apparently taken power in the Communist North. Mr. Kim was not present for the ceremony, on the 41st anniversary of the Korean War armistice, which is marked with much fanfare in the North.

In one other puzzling development at the military ceremony, the South's Naewoe Press said Kye Eyoung Tae, a party secretary, made a speech on behalf of Mr. Kim. It said it was unusual for nonmilitary figure to speak at a ceremony of this kind.

Any signs of recalcitrance by the North Koreans might now be interpreted far more serious-

This defector definitely ups the ante a little bit," said Donald Gregg, chairman of the Korea Society in New York and previously an ambassador to and CIA station chief in Seoul. "It makes me wonder why the South Koreans chose that mo-

ment to spring him."
Nevertheless, Mr. Gregg, a strong supporter of dialogue with the North Koreans, said the development Wednesday made the case for negotiations even stronger. If the North Koreans do stall or dissemble, the tactic will be thrown up in sharper relief, and the consequences would be much

harsher, Mr. Gregg said. The North Koreans have long denied that they are developing nuclear bombs, but they have refused international inspectors access to several nuclear facilities where they may have produced or stored plutonium, the raw material for the weapons of mass destruction.

Mr. Kang put a harsh light on the North's alleged nuclear am-

Wednesday to form a large opposition party by September to crush what he calls the "irresponsible" Socialist-Liberal Democratic government. "There is this groundswell of demand" for such a party, he said. to defect, he said, in May when possible defection, had debitions. He said that he was vice he was on a business trip to manded that he be captured. president of a trading company China. Mr. Kang said he over-directly under the control of the stayed his visa, and heard that gence officials present offered

A COMEBACK? - Tsutomu Hata, who was forced to

resign last month as Japan's prime minister, vowed

## president's office. He decided Kim Jong II, angered by his any details on how he escaped.

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to the relief of Rwanda. "Too little too late" is the charge that comes into the minds of many Americans observing on their screens dimensions of tragedy startling even to those jaded by the century's many other horrors. In fact, it did take days for the American government to realize that the nature of the crisis had

changed. But only days. Tribal massacres in the hundreds of thousands had been going on largely be-yond camera and relief range inside Rwanda since April; only France sent in protective forces. In mid-July, cholera started claiming thousands among the 2 million refugees who had fled into Zaire. These plainly visible and preventable deaths spurred America to unlimber its formidable relief apparatus — the U.S. Agency for International Development directing, the U.S. military delivering. It is not doing "enough," but it is doing plenty in circumstances where all precedents and

preparations turn out to be pale.

The real lag, however, is not in the few days' delay but in a more general failure to comprehend global change. It is not simply that ethnic rivalries are compounding, these rivalries were always

Already people are asking why the United States did not come more quickly other countries have been slow to accept other countries have been slow to accept new demands for dampening these rivalries and for caring for their victims. Formerly, anti-communism reinforced hu-

tion fails, to treat their terrible effects.

## Lift the Arms Embargo

**Jobs or Inflation?** 

If Washington has ever been serious about pushing its allies to lift the unjust arms embargo against the government of Bosnia, it now has an ideal opportunity to do so. Bosnian Serbs have defiantly rejected a European-American peace plan and again threaten to blockade Sarajevo. France and Britain are looking for a way out of their futile UN peacekeeping role. UN Secretary-General Butros Butros Ghali is expressing doubts about the use-fulness of any further United Nations role.

With the Clinton administration rightly refusing to send U.S. troops into the breach, the cleanest, fairest way out for the international community is to untie the hands of the Bosnian government by ending the arms embargo. A stronger Bosnia could then act on its own, militarily or diplomatically, to assure its survival and gain back enough territory to allow at least some refugees from Serbian sieges and ethnic cleansings to return to their homes.

Earlier this month, the major powers presented a take-it-or-leave-it peace plan, a map partitioning the country into more or less equal halves, to both the Bosnian government and the Bosnian Serb insurgents. They warned that if one side spurned the proposal while the other accepted it, international sanctions would be revised to punish the holdout. Last week, the government unconditionally accepted the plan while the Serbs attached so many conditions that their answer amounted to a rejection. This coming Saturday, the international sponsors — the United States, meet to decide their next move.

When the five powers first presented the plan, they declared that they would

When Alan Greenspan appeared before the Senate Banking Committee last week,

Senator Paul Sarbanes sharply chided him

for "counterproductive" interest rate in-

creases. It was the latest round in the

continuing debate over the speed limit at

which the American economy can be driv-

en. Mr. Greenspan, chairman of the Federal Reserve Board, thinks that the econo-

my is currently growing faster than the

speed limit and needs to be slowed down.

Senator Sarbanes thinks that the economy

is still well below full capacity and can

run at its present speed for quite a long

time - generating more jobs - before

in Maryland this year, in a Democratic

Senate he would be the next chairman of

the Banking Committee. If he is right, it

would be possible to get employment

higher than is likely at present interest

rates. If Mr. Greenspan is right, faster growth would mean inflation and reces-

sion. There is no simple arithmetical rule

to show who is right. It is a matter of

judgment and how much risk the country

is willing to run in order to get employ-

ample slack in the labor market," Mr.

Sarbanes said, "is the dearth of people

coming into the labor force." But maybe

not. After previous recessions, the labor

force has generally grown strongly. The

senator is correct in saying that it has not happened this time. But last winter the

labor force as a proportion of the total adult population hit a record high, and

unless you think that this proportion is going to rise indefinitely, you are entitled

"One of the best signs that we still have

ment somewhat higher.

Mr. Sarbanes is running for re-election

any danger of inflation appears.

punish a Bosnian Serb rejection with a sequence of steps starting with tighter sanctions against Serbia and ending with a lifting of the arms embargo. The Clin-ton administration has always presented lifting the arms embargo as its preferred response to the Bosnian crisis, while Europe has favored partition and asked for large numbers of U.S. troops to help enforce it. Washington's position was more honorable and more prudent. But the administration, for the sake of NATO solidarity, has resisted congressional pres-sures to lift the arms embargo unilaterally. It has even indicated its willingness to commit American troops if the Bosnian sides freely agreed on a partition plan.

Having demonstrated its own good faith, it is now time for the administration to speak up and demand an early end to the arms embargo. That is the only sanction that the Bosnian Serbs are likely to take seriously. It represents fair treatment of a government that has been the victim of outside aggression since its birth and that is even now prepared to give up half its original territory in exchange for peace. And it is a better alternative than either committing larger numbers of outside forces to keep a nonexistent peace or having the outside world simply walk away in frustration.

Europeans will argue for delaying the lifting of the arms embargo as long as possible. But lifting it is a course to which even they are now formally committed. The only thing left to argue tion should make an energetic case for moving as quickly as possible.

to wonder how much slack really remains.

number of people working multiplied by

the rise in productivity. Mr. Greenspan

believes that productivity rises fastest in times of low inflation. Mr. Sarbanes is

skeptical, but Mr. Greenspan argues that

many businesses take productivity seri-

ously only when they cannot keep raising

prices. The issue here is whether low

inflation is important for high growth.

Economic growth is the rise in the

- THE NEW YORK TIMES.

#### manitarianism. But on the same Sunday television show where he was challenged to say whether in Rwanda the United States was doing too little, Secretary of State Warren Christopher was also challenged to say whether globally the United States was doing too much. That is a fair statement of the current American hesitation.

In Rwanda, displaced people have begun the essential trek back to the relative safety and comfort of their home villages. The ousted extremist majority-Hutu regime responsible for initiating the carnage (a slaughter of many Hum as well as a genocide of minority Tutsi) is reduced to preparing revenge from exile. The Tutsi rebels who now run what there is of a government in Rwanda insist that they will care equally for wary Hutu and wel-coming Tutsi. The immediate relief needs are immense and urgent. The longer-term burden falls on the United Nations and its members and agencies better to anticipate these massive convulsions and, if anticipa-

- THE WASHINGTON POST.

## The Moral Void in Rwanda Should Worry the World

By William Pfaff

PARIS — In the French-held security zone in southwestern Rwanda, there has been a sudden outbreak of destruction. The Hutu people who stayed, believing that the presence of French troops made them safe, have been pillaging their hospitals, factories, hotels, public buildings, shops. In some places, the economic structure of daily life has been wrecked overnight.

A correspondent of the Paris daily Liberation quotes a medical assistant at what had been the modern hospital in the town of Bushenge: "It was like a collective sui-

There is near complete collapse of the moral structure of society in places like Rwanda, in part the result of a desperate and ignorant effort to 'modernize.'

cide." Suddenly people said to one another, "We have to go, to hide," she said. Local officials, the powerful, those with

means, went first, then the rest. They went because they heard that France might leave in August when its UN mandate in Rwanda runs out. The United Nations is supposed to send troops to replace the French, but they do not trust that to happen. The exodus from their part of the country threatens to resume at the same time as in the north, at Goma and the other refugee camps in Zaire, the aid agencies are beginning to convince some of the afflicted hordes of refugees to go home, to

where the harvest is ripening. Elsewhere in Rwanda, in the areas held by the new Tutsi-led government, no one seems entirely certain what is going on. There have been some reassuring reports

the other hand, International Red Cross officials in the Rwandan capital of Kigali have expressed "disquiet" at the lack of information available on the fate of prisoners taken by the Rwanda Patriotic Front's forces. UN officials decline com-

ment on reported "disappearances." Refugees inside the government-held territories reportedly still lack permission to go back to their homes. Much of the country now is empty of civilians; it has become a forbidden security zone. Journalists at Rwanda Radio who agree to work for the new government are given political "reeducation," in which "imperialism" is held responsible for Rwanda's plight.

The civilians named to ministerial posts in the new government "of national reconciliation" seem still in the dark about the government's plans, and the military members, including the Patriotic Front's mili-tary chief and the apparent strongman of the government, Paul Kagame, remain in the shadows. The tragedy of Rwanda has yet to find its conclusion.

That many Rwandans seem to have abandoned themselves to their own destruction has an uncanny quality. Possibly it is simple resignation to the inevitability of being done to as they did to others a few

days earlier. Revenge is inexorable.

Something of this can be encountered in Bosnia with drunken bands of ordinary men fresh from the murder of their neighbors. They, too, have seemed the damned who knew they were damned. "The gale of the world," as the wartime Chetnik leader Draja Mihailovitch put it, has car-

ried them away.

There is evil in these things. There is near complete collapse of the moral struc-ture of society in places like Rwanda, in part the result of a desperate and ignorant attempt to "modernize."



Monthly by Robert D. Kaplan, who had been traveling in West Africa, where the end of colonialism, the collapse of artificial governments, the explosion and displacement of populations, disease and anarchic tribal and warlord conflict are creating conditions that he compares with those of Europe during the Thirty Years War. He foresees the same thing developing in parts of the Middle East, the Indian subcontinent and Latin America.

However, the Thirty Years War was about something. Even the Yugoslav war is about something. The anarchy that Mr. Kaplan describes is about nothing. It is a chaotic disintegration of society, bringing with it mindless destruction not only of people but of their environment — the

forests, the soil, the water.

He sees in the future "a jagged-glass pattern of city-states, shanty-states, nebu-lous and anarchic regionalisms." He thinks such developments may be mimicked in the United States, intensifying racial polatities and social fragmentation so that American society in some degree could be

da, Sierra Leone, Liberia, Guinea and Zaire is in danger of being reproduced in nearly all of sub-Saharan Africa. The attack on traditional cultures by junk-Westernization, as by demographic growth and economic decline, fully justifies the worst fears. The key issue is cultural resistance.

The non-Western societies with a coherent view of themselves and an intact struc-ture of values will survive. This means Japan, Korea and most of East Asia, as well as most of the Islamic world. Islamic fundamentalism in this respect is a positive phenomenon. It is evidence of Islam fighting back to defend itself.

Postcolonial Africa's resources for cultural resistance are few. The culturally burned-over regions of the ex-Soviet Union are dangerous terrain. Balkan conflict, on the other hand, is rooted in nationalisms that are (often pathologically) positive assertions of identity. Nonetheless, what is happening there contributes to Mr. Kaplan's dystopia, all too plausible in which overarmed and culturally uprooted men create a moral moonscape.

International Herald Tribune. O Los Angeles Times Syndicate.

#### There was an important reflection on drawn into this chaos. Certainly what has happened in Rwanand promises of impartial treatment. On this in the February issue of The Atlantic

WASHINGTON — A prima-ry objective of American foreign policy for the last half century has been to strengthen NATO. But the crisis in Bosnia

may be NATO's last gasp. Following the Bosnian Serbs' rejection of the settlement proposed by the five-power contact group, the United Nations secretary-general, Butros Butros Ghali, has proposed the with-drawal of UN peacekeepers in the former Yugoslavia. He reasons that members' support of this ef-fort in personnel and money is not sufficient for the United Nations to continue the mission safely. The troops, 35,000, are too few to police a settlement and too weak to impel a settlement.

So the peacekeeping baton may ass to NATO, which faces the challenge of punishing Serbia and the Bosnian Serbs for not accepting the proposed compromise.

On Tuesday, UN forces in Bosnia requested increased NATO warplane surveillance of violations of the heavy weapons ban in the area around Gorazde. And the nationalist Serbian leaders threatened to reimpose a blockade on Sarajevo.

The alliance may soon be called on to intervene in the conflict. The effort to carry out these tasks will expose many of the hidden weaknesses of NATO

He edged toward accepting a

Concern for national and per-

sonal survival, not concern for peace, brought King Hussein to the White House South Lawn

on Monday to shake Prime

Minister Yitzhak Rabin's band

and promise to war no more.

The ceremony should be seen

first of all as a monument to the

king's fine instinct for making a

virtue out of necessity.

That is not to denigrate the

ceremony, or King Hussein. To be king of Jordan is to navigate

constantly among forces that could destroy both the monar-

chy and the politically divided

state that was created as a base

for the Hashemite throne. King

Hussein has kept both intact

through a lifetime of maneuver

and playing a king's gambits brilliantly. To criticize him for

putting survival above all is to

criticize the sky for being blue.

But his predicament means that the world should not as-

sume that a separate Jordanian-

Israeli peace treaty is now im-

minent or even inevitable, as

Clinton administration spokes-

men suggest. It is in neither

King Hussein's interest nor his

nature to give a commitment

that completely eliminates his

freedom for maneuver and his

ability to redraw alliances as

circumstances change. King Hussein in Washington

was not Anwar Sadat going to

Jerusalem, or even Yasser Ara-

fat coming to the White House

last September. Mr. Sadat and

Mr. Arafat each crossed a Rubi-

con that they could not re-ford.

formal peace treaty.

By Charles William Maynes in the post-Cold War world. NATO, which operates by consen-

Many current proponents of sus, attempt such a task without NATO expansion follow in the equal sacrifices from all members? footsteps of George Bush and say that NATO's new enemy is not another country but instability itself, the kind witnessed in Bosnia. If the goal is suppression of instability outside of NATO's defense perimeters, then troops on the ground will be required. Suppressing instability is like sup-pressing crime — it requires police on the street. This is a radical change in mission for NATO.

Historically, the defense alliance has attempted to influence the external behavior of its declared enemies. It used military threats to persuade its adversaries external behavior. But the suppression of instability requires that NATO attempt to force the population of states to respect certain limits in their internal behavior. That is a daunting and dangerous task.

If during the Cold War Moscow or Washington had threat-ened the use of force to compel internal political changes - an end to the Gulag or equal rights for American blacks — World War III would have ensued. Governments will light rather than submit to such a diktat. Can

Certainly, NATO's days will be

Both Options in NATO's Bosnia Dilemma Look Bad for NATO

fort to impose stability in Eastern Europe while Germany, whose interests would be most affected, refuses to participate. At the same time, is it conceivable that Germany would permit its troops in the foreseeable future to participate in a punitive

military effort to impose stability on other parts of Europe? The German high court did recently rule that German participation in peacekeeping is not unconstitutional, but to suppress instabil-Peacemaking is required. With the memory of World

War II still fresh, will other European states allow Germany to participate in punitive expedi-tions even if the Bundestag ap-proved such a step, which is al-most inconceivable? It was hard enough for the French to allow a few German troops in the Eurocorps to parade down the

Champs-Elysées on Bastille Day. If NATO troops do attempt to police Bosnia, it is likely to remain a lengthy effort involving several years. Moreover, it is like-

They argued a few years ago that he supported Saddam only because he feared that the Iraqis

would kill him if he did not. The

same apologists now say that

the only reason he does not sign

a peace treaty with Israel is be-

cause he fears that the Syrians

substantial reasons to act as he

does. Many of them have to do

with the fissures that beset a

country that is now 60 percent

Palestinian in population but still dominated in many ways by

the original East Bank Bedown

society that took root there un-

of the mandated territory of Palestine to repay King Hussein's

ancestors for their help in World

War I and to compensate them for having lost Mecca and the rest of what became Saudi Ara-

bia. Jordan was created by an act

of will. King Hussein maintains

keep that in mind as it considers

the administration's plea to

write off Jordan's \$700 million

debt to the United States and to

think about providing new aid. President Bill Clinton clearly

sees the debt write-off as a re-

ward to King Hussein for clear-

ing the way for a final peace

treaty and solidifying Israel's

Put aside qualms about the

appropriateness of "rewarding"

the king for doing the right

thing. The practical point is that

he has not wholly committed

Jordan to full peace. Until he

feels that he can, Congress

should maintain some leverage

over him. Congress should not

yet totally wipe the slate clean.

It should keep a respectable pile

of Jordan's debts on the books

The Washington Post.

until a full treaty is signed.

acceptance in the Arab world.

The U.S. Congress should

it by a constant display of will.

The British carved Jordan out

der the Ottomans.

The king has his own, more

will kill him if he does.

ly to fail unless the United States participates vigorously on the ground — a move certain to face fierce opposition in Congress, since the Clinton administration's position until now has pledged the use of U.S. troops only to enforce a peace treaty. signed by all sides, the opposite of the situation that now prevails.

To complicate matters further, NATO's objectives would have to be sufficiently balanced to receive Russian support or acquiescence. Russian objection in the form of a flow of arms to Serbia would immediately bring to the surface sharp differences of opinion among Rey NATO members.

The truth is, as the war in Bosnia painfully demonstrates, NATO will be largely irrelevant to the traumas now afflicting Europe, unless balanced military efforts involving shared sacrifice can be initiated. And that has proved to be, if Bosma is any example, most difficult.

One argument for expanding NATO eastward has been a belief that NATO could provide a re-straining lid on other explosive ethnic conflicts in Eastern Europe. But this theory, if taken seriously, means that NATO must move east to Russia's borders, or that Russia must move its security zone west to meet NATO's new frontier. Otherwise, the territory in between. will be in a security vacuum. NA-TO's new mission may therefore

lead to Europe's new division. Ironically, many East Enropean states seek to enter NATO precisely when membership may become most dangerous. For decades, NATO members

enjoyed security without being asked to go to war. Now, as East Europeans bang on the door, the organization may receive its first combat test. No one has asked if the alliance can pass the test.

It is not reassuring that one membership applicant, Hungary. has spoken of normalizing its relations with Belgrade and informed NATO last February that it wanted AWACS aircraft to vacate Hungarian airspace if NATO used its UN mandate to order air strikes against the Serbs. Many observers call for an expansion of NATO. Few ask what kind of organization will exist af-ter the new members enter.

The Bosnia crisis poses the question then of whether NATO as currently configured can serve as Europe's policeman.

Here there is a dilemma: So long as NATO remains a closed club, it will not be accepted in many places outside of NATO as a neutral peacekeeping force. Yet because of the changed nature of the military task - influencing states' internal behavior, not external behavior - and the lack of outside acceptance of NATO's new role, many NATO members will be reluctant to participate in peace enforcement activities. Unless all participate, the future of

the organization is in jeopardy.
For some time, NATO has been a defense alliance without a clear purpose. If its new purpose is the suppression of ethnic conflict and the enforcement of international norms, it should make clear that any European state that supports those objectives is eligible for membership.
That way, if Russia evolves in

the direction we hope, NATO can cease to be a defense alliance, for Europe will be a continent without enemies. NATO could then become part of some pan-European structure that reaches from the Urals to Portugal and that tries to uphold the standards that are being violated every day in the former Yugoslavia.

NATO therefore faces a difficult choice. A failure to act in Bosnia will destroy its credibility. A decision to act may undermine its internal cohesion.

The writer, editor of the quarterly Foreign Policy, contributed this comment to The New York Times.

T IFTING the arms embargo would be a mistake. More weapons L would mean much more bloodshed. The Muslims could be completely defeated, which would be a tragedy. But their victory would also be tragedy, since it would bring extremists to power in Serbia and probably its entry into war.

Demands by the Bosnian Serbs that the constitutional position of the Serbs in Bosnia be clearly defined should be carefully considered. Above all else, most Serbs in Bosnia fear being ruled by Muslims and Croats, a fear that their leaders have shamelessly exploited.

The international peace plan implicitly accepts the idea that Bosnian unity can never be fully restored. Nothing will be lost by making this explicit and guaranteeing the autonomy of the Bosnian Serbs. --- Aleksa Djilas, commenting in The New York Times.

## IN OUR PAGES: 100, 75 AND 50 YEARS AGO

### 1894: Japan-China War

SHANGHAI -- Despatches received here this morning [July 27] report that war has been declared between China and Japan. The King of Corea is stated to be a prisoner in the hands of the Japa-nese. The casus belli was provided by the Japanese attack upon Chinese transports. The naval battle took place three days ago, and in this fight originated the report that the Japanese were bombarding the Corean coasts. The Chinese loss is very great.

### 1919: Occupy Mexico?

NEW YORK - The military occupation of Mexico by the United States Army was advocated in the House of Representatives by Representative Hudspeth, a Democrat of Texas. The address was enthusiastically applauded. He also urged that the American Govern-

ment withdraw its recognition of the Carranza Government and said that American troops should be kept in Mexico until a stable government is established. In urging the intervention he said, "I am not a jingo. I ask only for the protection of American lives."

## 1944: Jobs After the War

NEW YORK — [From our New York edition:] Mayor F. H. La-Guardia, calling Federal aid essential to the city's billion-dollar post-war public-works program, proposed yesterday [July 27] a for-ty-billion-dollar Federal appropriation to help finance nation-wide construction during the reconver-sion period. "If Congress provides a public works program in time, it will give the necessary push to get us going; otherwise, Congress will have to make huge appropriations to care for the millions out of work," the Mayor advised.

## Keep Watching Hussein the Survivor

By Jim Hoagland

They defied their key constitu-encies, uncertain if they would

King Hussein, adept and ex-

perienced at changing directions

while staying afloat on the vola-tile river of Arab politics, is still

in midstream. He has cultivated

and shaped alternative constitu-

encies in his kingdom. He never

Just as he threw in his lot a

few years ago with the desperate and vengeful Arab nationalists

backing Saddam Hussein, he

turns now toward the large

group of his countrymen who

dan's best bet for the future.

This turn also puts him at odds

with the Muslim fundamental-

ists who benefited from his

sympathies in the recent past.

from one horse to another with-

out missing a beat, he has for

years alternated prime ministers

and cabinets according to his

inter-Arab political needs of the

day. His stable included pro-

Syrian teams that could easily

be shunted aside for pro-Iraqi

or pro-Saudi clusters. Signifi-

cantly, he himself kept the

American portfolio, at least

until his flirtation with Saddam

ment that he now attempts to

rectify, through Israel. Sad-

dam's defeat, the collapse of

confrontational Arab national-

ism and the demise of the Soviet

Union mean that America is left

as the king's only option - for

a pure opportunist lacking all

principle. Nor is he the fright-ened, pliable pupper described by some of his more patronizing

American apologists.

This does not mean that he is

now, and perhaps for good.

That was a historic misjudg-

soured Washington on him.

Like a circus rider jumping

peace with Israel as Jor-

gets too far from one of them.

be followed across the river.

The unemployment rate for the past two months has been 6 percent. Reagan-Bush policy pushed it as low as 5 percent in early 1989, with the result that the inflation rate WASHINGTON — During King Hussein's 40 years shot up above 6 percent in 1990 and the economy slid into the 1990-1991 recession. Pushing the limits of employment can be atop Jordan, survival has meant dangerous, and the margin of error is refusing to make peace with Israel. This week in Washington, narrower than Mr. Sarbanes thinks. the longest reigning Arab ruler -THE WASHINGTON POST. accepted that survival may now depend on doing the opposite.

## Other Comment

### Hatred and Reconciliation

Hatred and fanaticism have not had their last word in the Middle East. Each new step on the path of peace, each handshake between erstwhile enemies, is an act of sacrilege in the eyes of those who have sworn to do everything they can to keep the sons of Abraham from

living, one day, in reconciliation.

Israeli and Arab leaders [must] courageously pursue the peace process in order to marginalize their enemies still more. A series of attacks, however murderous, will

not be sufficient to kill peace. - Le Monde (Paris).



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OPINION

## Challenge: Make the System Work for All Americans

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By E. J. Dionne Jr.

and accusation usually do the trick. differentiated white racism, it lets But messages cast in these terms are whites get themselves off the hook. usually not radical at all. They don't . Most whites are not racist in the Bull challenge anybody to do anything Connor, segregationist sense. except smolder in resentment. They don't lead to change. By contrast, ideas built on cool reason and the possibility of action often sound moderate. But they can be genuinely radical in their analysis of what is wrong and of what needs to be done.

That is what lies behind the important speech given Sunday by Hugh Price, the new president of the Urban League, at the group's convention in Indianapolis. Mr. Ptice's address will rightly get a lot of praise for his denunciation of anti-Semitism, his emphasis on personal responsibility. his call for cooperation across racial lines and his insistence that while racism remains an important problem, it cannot explain all that ails the African-American community.

But if the praise stops there, it will miss a central point of Mr. Price's speech and the genuinely radical message that underlies it. Mr. Price is challenging complacency by arguing that there is a deep disorder in the American economy that is leading it to fail a large class of Americans — including many African-Americans but also many others. Mr. Price argues that "the global realignment of work and wealth" is

a "bigger culprit" than racism.
"Marvelous as the market economy works for most Americans, it has all but collapsed for inner-city folk," Mr. Price declared. "There are fewer and fewer jobs for low-skilled workers, especially males. And the wages for those jobs that exist are just plain lousy, all too often at or below the poverty line," Mr. Price said.

Government, he said, "largely avoids the ideologically uncomfort-able question of whether the market rican-American poor to fight the culeconomy is actually creating enough jobs for everyone in the inner city who wants to or is expected to work."

Mr. Price offers the unfashionable but compelling view that if a lack of jobs is the problem, the government should consider creating a "labor- do not offer realistic hope, all the intensive public enterprise to perform services valued by the taxpayers."

down the gauntiet to both black separatism and white indifference. That takes courage, because neither side really wants to listen. Maybe that is alternative. If we do not, we cede why his speech got so little publicity. moral authority to those who, in their You get more ink and televising the self-hatred, hate us all." The alterna-

ism and black nationalism is that by

WASHINGTON — It is easy to defining the whole problem facing sound radical Bluster, hatred black America as involving an un-

Racism persists, but as Mr. Price said, "for millions of black folk who, thanks to the civil rights movement, have flooded into higher education, big corporations and their own mainstream businesses, these clearly are the best of times." Even liberal whites have begun to dismiss the "it's all white racism" explanation of inner-

city troubles as inadequate.

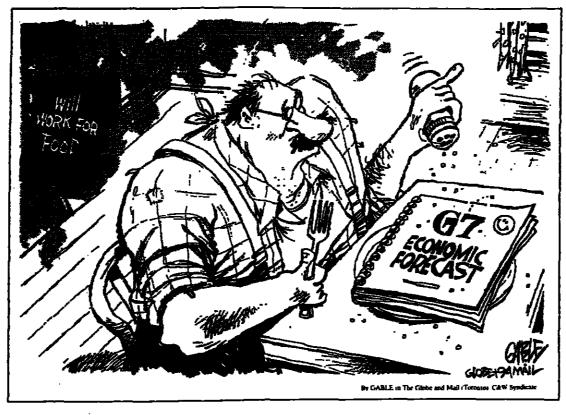
Anti-white nationalism also plays a terrible trick on the oppressed. Mr. Farrakhan's anti-Semitism is a grave moral evil, as racism is a grave moral evil. But anti-Semitism, like racism, is something else as well: It's a con job. Anti-Semitism asserts something utterly false — that "the Jews" are responsible for the suffering of African-Americans — and thereby diverts attention from the real problems facing the inner city.

Nationalism fails in another respect: If the problems of African-Americans are defined solely in racial terms, then the solutions come down to federal programs that set aside a portion of government business for minority contractors. But on behalf of the poor and the unemployed of all races, Mr. Price is asking for much

further-reaching change.
His is not a soft multiracialism, but a hard challenge. He challenges welloff white Americans to make changes in an economy that works for them but not for everybody. He challenges well-off African-Americans to a new engagement with inner-city children. He challenges less affluent whites to see that the workings of the new economy give them a powerful shared interest with African-Americans in soture of violence and despair.

What is the alternative to Mr. Price's challenges? Mr. Farrakhan is gaining ground in the inner city precisely because of the level of suffering there. If advocates of multiracialism denunciations of Mr. Farrakhan will be useless. As Julius Lester put it in To his credit, Mr. Price is throwing the current issue of Dissent: "Farrakhan offers an ugly and hateful vision. It is no longer sufficient to express disapproval. It is time we offered an by linking up with Louis Farrakhan. tive Hugh Price is offering is that
The problem with black separat- Americans help each other.

The Washington Post.



## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### 'President' of Bosnia

While those of us who urged a stronger stance against Serbian aggression in Bosnia might have wished for more, the five-power peace plan is certainly the best op-tion now available. Willingness to impose it by force, without further delay, will be the last -- but redeeming — test of the credibility of the four Western powers. It is incumbent on them (Britain included) to inform the Russians, and the Bosnian parties, that this is the position they will take on July 30, and implement on Aug. 1.

There is, nonetheless, one important concession the five powers should make to Radovan Karadzic, leader of the Bosnian Serbs, now. Adjustments to the map, a zero-sum game, are clearly not acceptable. But the myth of Bosnian unity, dearer to the hearts of international lawyers than to the Croats or Muslims, clearly permits imaginative interpretations. History provides at least one useful example.

The Holy Roman Empire, a "Reich" that did indeed last a thousand years, passed its last centuries with no government, no territorial administration, no armies, embassies or other external attributes of sovereignty. These were all the prov-Prussia. Some of their territories were "within" the Empire, others were not. The kings of Prussia

#### warred on the Hapsburg rulers of Austria, but still participated in the

election of the same Hapsburgs to

the imperial crown. With whatever trappings would be appropriate, "presidents of Boscould be elected on a rotating basis by the three communities. Otherwise, each would be free to make its own internal and external arrangements. The Bosnian Serbs could get access to the sea through Serbia, and even a UN seat.

The attributes and exercise of sovereignty being sweet, I very much doubt that Mr. Karadzic would ever Close Race in Germany take the last step of full integration into Serbia.

#### REYNOLD RIEMER.

## Plotters Against Hitler

Thank you for Thomas Fleming's article about German resistance to Hitler ("The Fate of These Resisters Proved a Tragedy for All." Opinion, July 21). Seldom in my 72 years have I, a former Wehrmacht officer, been as deeply moved.

Was there any doubt yet about Roosevelt's (and Churchill's) determination to be done with the Germans and not, in the first term, with Hitler? Mr. Fleming is right: Millions could have been spared if only ince of states which were full sub- one of the Germans who desperately jects of international law, such as sought contact with the Allies had

AUGUST von KAGENECK.

#### The 9th Was Also There

Regarding "From the Beaches to the Seine: Surprise, Sacrifice and Some Good Luck" (Opinion, June 1) by John C. Ausland:

The port of Cherbourg was not cap-tured by the 4th and 79th divisions alone. They were there, but so was my division, the 9th U.S. Infantry. Its men cut across the Cherbourg peninsula and enveloped the port's western half. ROGER ANTHOINE

A news report in your June 25 issue said that opinion polls indicated that Chancellor Helmut Kohl's party had "pulled clearly" ahead of the rival Social Democrats. But the margin of error in the data cited would make it impossible to tell which party was clearly ahead. The need for careful interpretation of polls cannot be overstressed. ROYAL D. COLLE.

Singapore.

I'm writing to let you know how much I enjoyed the Tribune's coverage of the World Cup. Your great articles and photographs had me reading the paper back-to-front. Special thanks for the fine writing of Ian Thomsen and Rob Hughes.

CHRISTINE CLOVER. Merano, Italy.

## They Wait in a Dark Plane,: 'In a War but Not at War'

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By Georgie Anne Geyer

L this beautiful old Hapsburg city at dawn, sure and eager to be in Sarajevo before noon, I was both excited and apprehensive, for Sarajevo was the city whose suffering symbolized this terrible war.

The sight that greeted us - I was part of a small group of journalists when we arrived at Pleso Air

#### **MEANWHILE**

Base just outside of Zagreb seemed somehow familiar.

But comparing the milling soldiers, flak jackets and helmets in hand, with almost any other war didn't seem right.

Here, in place of any one national army, there were Brits and Nigerians, French and Nepalese, Russians and Ukrainians — and they were, as UN officials put it, "in a war but not at war." Yes, that seems a little hard to sustain. Perhaps that is why the Norwegians, who run one of myriad jerry-built air forces here, call theirs Maybe Airlines."

At Pleso, we were issued bright blue flak jackets and helmets. "What do we do with these," I asked impertinently. "Sit on them?"

Soon we were inside the dark interior of a huge Russian troop carrier, ready for the hour-long trip to Sarajevo. We waited ... and waited . and waited.

"Damn Croats," one weary sol-dier snapped. "They're always holding the planes back - just to

be important." Then the soldiers around me, Swedes, Norwegians and Canadians, began to talk.

"This is a ridiculous war," one said. "None of us can figure out why in God's name we're here." "in our area," said another, "we hear shooting all the time, but we are forbidden — get that, forbidden! — to know who is shooting. UN rules!" Even in the dark, I could sense him shaking his head.

Then the pilot's voice came on the P.A. system. "No flight today," he said. "Sarajevo's under fire."

And so we stumbled and heaved and grumbled our way off, clumsy flak jackets and helmets in hand, to

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7 AGREB. Croatia - We had left find later that the Serbs had "expressed" their utterly predictable

feelings toward all of us. Only the day before, they had contemptuously rejected the "takeit-or-leave-it" Western and Russian. peace plan. These actions were: meant as their exclamation point at the end of the "NO."

We soon learned what had hap-. pened in Sarajevo. Two incoming. planes, a Russian Antonov and a U.S. Starlifter, had been hit within: 20 minutes of each other that Thursday morning, July 21, as we waited in the darkness. Without question, it was Serbian machinegun fire. One American security: man was hit from below as he sat in the plane by machine-gun fire that. pierced the Russian plane's floor.

"You see," I told my colleagues.
"We SHOULD sit on our flak jackets and helmets!"

That same morning, the Serbs attacked a French mission trying to erect anti-sniping barriers on Sarajevo's "Sniper's Alley," along the. recently reopened tramways. Five French and Ukrainian peacekeepers were seen on CNN, throwing themselves on the ground under Serbian bombardments.

The French commander in Saraievo, General Andrė Soubirou, was heard, as his men fell on him to protect him, shouting words that once would not have been proper even for soldiers' ears.

When I asked our press hosts, from the UN Protection Forces, or Unprofor, why the enraged general and the "peacekeeping" troops did not fire back, the answer was vin-,

tage neutralist UN-speak. "Because the Serbs were firing OVER them," one official said.
"They can only fire back if they are

firing AT them." At that moment I was grateful to . whatever gods still watch over anybody in this terrible place that our, plane did not "make it." We would have been the next plane in.

Before we turned in our flak jackets for good, it suddenly hit me. now similar this situation of being "in a war" was to Vietnam. Here, too, civilians and soldiers are placed in impossible situations by impossible restrictions. Stultifying micromanagement from afar effectively destroys any chance of "winning." The Serbs continue contemptuously to manipulate, while they go on killing.

Given these realities, sitting on. one's flak jacket seemed one of the day's more reasonable suggestions. Universal Press Syndicate.

## **BOOKS**

#### TAINTED TRUTH: The Manipulation of Fact in America

By Cynthia Crossen, 272 pages, \$23. Simon & Schuster.

Reviewed by Michael Fumento

I N an increasingly skeptical age, there's one tool that continues to wow 'em: scientific data or data that's been scientif-ically collected. Cynthia Crossen, a Wall Street Journal reporter, argues that there is indeed such a thing as objective truth, but that when the bottom line comes into play, such "scientific" studies may be the last place to find it.

Consider the oat bran mania, which was based originally on a study reflecting all of a 3.3 percent - statistically insignificant - drop in cholesterol among persons who had oatmeal or out bran added to their diet. The grain that Dr. John-son's dictionary claimed was fit only for horses and Scotsmen became "the next miracle food," as one newspaper put it. Quaker Oats pushed that line. Next thing we knew, out bran had been added to more than 300 products, including potato chips, toothpaste, and licorice.

• Krista Sager, head of the Greens Party faction in Hamburg, is reading the German translation of Marion Zimmer Bradley's "The Forest House," a romance novel steeped in my-

power struggles between old and new ways of thinking." (Brandon Mitchener, IHT)

When another major study ap-peared that found no special cholesterol-lowering property in oat bran, Quaker Oats did practically everything it could to destroy its credibility. But what about pharmaceuti-

cals? Crossen notes that a re-

searcher reviewed 107 published studies comparing a new drug and a traditional therapy and found "studies of new

drugs sponsored by drug com-panies were more likely to favor those drugs than studies supported by noncommercial entities. In not a single case was a drug or treatment manufactured by the sponsoring compa-ny found inferior to another ompany's product."
In all fairness, a company

### BRIDGE

By Alan Truscott A player with an extremely strong hand may find it hard to believe that his partner is extremely weak. The most popular way, is the double negative: after responding two dia-monds to a strong artificial two clubs, the weak hand bids three clubs, following a major-suit re-bid, or three diamonds, following a three-club rebid. Unfortunately the tendency

is to make the initial two-diamond response with a wide range of hands, so that the second negative is effectively a first negative, leaving the strength still somewhat unclear. Another disadvantage is that

someone may forget what is going on, as South did on the diagramed deal. She assumed that her partner's three-club rebid, was natural with club length. She therefore charged ahead with Blackwood, hoping to reach seven clubs.

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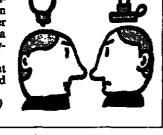
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won't subject a drug to a study that may be publicly reported if it doesn't have confidence in that product. But these data underlie a powerful case.

Crossen shows how careful choice of survey respondents, selection of data, and control of anything else. Political polls fare somewhat

better, but Crossen identifies an amazing number of problems that polisters need to beware of, but often don't. Unfortunately, her prime example is the polls surrounding the Clarence Thomas Supreme Court hearings. Noting that a year after the hearings the same pollsters that had reported Americans believing Thomas now had them believing his accuser, Anita Hill, Crossen argues that the pollsters blew it, that the Senate acted on the polls, and that thus was changed the course of history. She never broaches the possibility that Americans were subject to new influences in that intervening year. Yet this is what happened as feminists turned Hill into a symbol of victimization and

Hollywood weighed in with at

least three prime-time shows all

depicting Hill as the hero.

sionally seems to do her own invidious selecting of information. She rightly ridicules the cigarette industry's pseudoscientific claims on direct smoking, but then curtly dismisses the industry's arguments against the EPA report implicating secondhand smoke in thousands of lung cancers. Yet the EPA used the same technique of combining uncombinable studies that she condemned when Quaker Oats used it. Nonetheless, such problems as these are not systemic.
"Tainted Truth" is a terrific guide to a creeping disease that, as she puts it, will make it "al-most inevitable that we will eventually lose our ability to cope with our problems." It should be read by every editor other variables can make virtu- and reporter who deals with ally anything taste better than policy issues, along with everyone who still believes that truth is something to be sought, rather than manipulated for profit.

To strengthen her case as much as possible. Crossen occa-

Crossen concludes by providing "solutions," some quixotic, others more practical. One "American schools, which have largely ignored the explosion of quantitative information in daily life, can and should teach people how to tell whether particular sets of numbers are believable. Learning information skills should be as college as a working knowledge of literature, science, econ

Add to that the need to teach formal logic and say "Amen!"

of "Science Under Siege: Balancing Technology and the Environment." He wrote this for The Washington Post.

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## **HEALTH/SCIENCE**

## Study Questions the Role of Vitamins in Preventing Cancer vitamin E and beta carotene, which the body converts into vitamin A, did nothing body converts into vitamin A, did nothing England Journal of Medicine editors Mar-makes it impossible to compare them. In an unusually scolding editorial, New vitamins and other dietary elements, which ing scientists' attention is "food," simple in concept but in fact overwhelmingly compli-

By Rick Weiss Washington Post Service

ASHINGTON - Reading the news on vitamins is like plucking petals from a daisy: She loves me . . . she loves me not. They're good for me . . . and now they're not

Another "not" petal has fluttered to the ground. In a four-year study of more than 700 Americans, moderately high doses of vitamins C and E and beta carotene did not prevent the growth of polyps in the colon, which can develop over several years into colon cancer.

: The report was the second in three months to suggest that antioxidant vitamins (so-called because they neutralize charged oxygen molecules that harm cells) lack the cancer-preventing potential that many had presumed.

In April a Finnish study concluded that

to protect smokers against lung cancer. The findings were perplexing; after all, other studies in animals and humans have suggested that vitamins and beta carotene are potent cancer-fighting compounds. Indeed, the reason that researchers initiated the recent trials was that earlier work had strongly hinted that the approach was worth pursu-

What to make of the vicissitudes of vitamin research? "It's a complex story," sighed E. Robert Greenberg, the Dart-mouth epidemiologist who led the most recent study of vitamins and colon cancer. There are just so many things that we don't understand."

Dr. Greenberg does not take vitamin supplements, but he stops short of recommending against them, counseling instead an even-keeled suspension of judgment. Others, too, have sought to stay the pendu-lum of hope and disappointment.

cia Angell and Jerome Kassirer warned consumers and the media not to overinterpret the latest negative finding, as they have been wont to do with earlier, positive findings.

learned of a new study showing that vitamin E and carotene do not protect against cancer should ask themselves why they so readily believed that antioxidants had this effect in the first place, and why they now believe that there is no effect," they wrote.

People who felt betrayed when they

There are reasons why science appears especially fickle on the topic of food, health and nutritional supplements, and why researchers have so far been unable to reach consensus despite all their experiments and clinical trials.

One problem is that each of the many studies done in animals and humans has varied from the others in its combination of

The doses of vitamins have also varied among studies, and in some cases different formulations of vitamins were used - some more easily absorbed than others. More-over, studies with beta carotene are difficult because high doses make people's skin turn yellow, which allows volunteers to figure out whether they are getting the real drug or a placebo — a fact that can influence their confidence and thus their health.

Several researchers said the biggest roadblock to understanding the health benefits of food and food supplements may inherent to science itself: scientists usually study nature by dividing it into pieces, they said. In doing so they learn fascinating details about each component of nature but without gaining much insight into how the parts fit together.

In this case, the complicated mess catch-

By Gina Kolata

New York Times Service

gists say. At least four groups report that the new gene, called p16, seems to be playing a minor role, at best, in most

Although the researchers who first hailed the gene say the story is not over yet, many others say it has become clear

p16 does not seem to be mutated in most

It is an abrupt change of fortune for

the gene, which, just a few months ago.

was deemed one of the most important discoveries in the molecular biology of

When the discovery of p16 was an-

nounced, on April 19, it seemed to make perfect sense. All the evidence was point-

ing to such a gene in such a location. Molecular biologists had noticed repeat-

edly that many human tumors had dele-

tions in their genetic material in an area

EW YORK - A newly discovered cancer gene may be much

less important than it originally

seemed, some molecular biolo-

concept but in fact overwhelmingly compli-cated, made of hundreds of different vitamins, minerals, sugars, carbohydrates, proteins, fats, amino acids and other ingredients.

"It's considered unscientific to look at everything together—the kitchen-sink approach—but I think we've been a little too reductionist." Dr. Greenberg said. "My inclination now is to go back to looking at overall dietary patterns. There may be no single thing in any single food. It may be a complex relationship between all these different ingredients."

Paul Talalay, a pharmacologist and molecular biologist at Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine, said it is naive to think that any one substance holds the key to food's protective effects.

"Food doesn't come in the form of a pure chemical with a label on the outside," he said. "There is a tendency for scientists

Second Thoughts on 'Key' Gene

Moreover, pl6 was directly involved in

controlling the cell cycle, and any muta-

tions that destroyed its function would

release a sort of molecular brake on cell

So when Dr. Mark H. Skolnick and

Dr. Alexander Kamb, both of the Uni-

versity of Utah Medical Center in Salt

Lake City and Myriad Genetics Inc. of Salt Lake City, reported that more than half of the tumor cells they had exam-

ined had a mutated pl6 gene, and that these cancers included some of the most

common and most deadly human tu-

mors, molecular biologists and cancer-

Several groups of investigators immediately began to study it. Dr. Skolnick

and Dr. Kamb had studied cancer cells

growing in the laboratory; the other in-

vestigators decided to look at cells from

tumors that came directly from patients.

And there the discrepancies arose. Rath-

er than p16 gene mutations being fre-

The researchers say that they are con-

vinced that there is an important cancer

quent, they appeared to be rare.

specialists hailed the finding.

What is more, Dr. Talalay said, it is often unclear how much of the apparent benefit from a certain food actually comes from that food, and how much comes from not eating some other food that a person might otherwise have eaten. "Eating more of something implies cating less of something else," he said. "It's very difficult to tease these things apart."

People will do almost anything to be healthy," said Carolyn Bernalardi, director of outpatient nutrition at Georgetown University Medical Center. "But what people refuse to do is eat real food. Why? I don't know. They'll do anything to avoid cooking broccoli or peeling an orange."

The best advice for now, Bernalardi said, is "be very, very wary of any and all studies, because nutrition, like all science, is constantly changing. Get your antioxidants from fruits and vegetables." she said, "and stop looking for the quick fix."

so often deleted in cancer. But they say

they are becoming increasingly con-

In two recently published reports and at least two more that are not yet pub-

lished, researchers say that they almost never see p16 mutations in cells from recently excised tumors but that they

often see them in tumor cells growing in

In a letter in the journal Science, Dr. David Sidransky and his colleagues at Johns Hopkins University School of

Medicine in Baltimore said they had ex-

amined 75 tumors of the lung, bladder,

kidney, head and neck, and brain. They

found p16 mutations in only seven of

those tumors. In two of the seven tumors,

the mutations occurred only when the tumors were "of advanced stage," the

"There is obviously an inconsistency,"

Dr. Kamb said in a telephone interview,

adding that part of the problem might be

that newly isolated tumors also con-tained healthy cells, which might make it

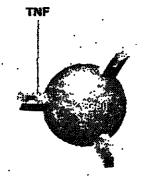
appear there were fewer mutated p16

scientists reported.

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### **An Experimental Attack on Toxic Shock**

What kills cells in toxic shock syndrome is a circulating protein, soluble tumor necrosis factor, or T.N.F. New, scientists have identified the enzyme that releases it, and in an experimental approach so far used only in aritmals, they have blocked the enzyme with an inhibiting compound.

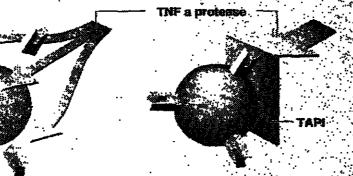


Turnor necrosis factor, or TNF. is part of the immune system. Produced in small amounts, it combats tumors and infections.



2 TNF is cut free from the cell surface by the enzyme TNFa protease. When produced in excess, TNF circulates and de-stroys cells throughout the body.

Source: Immunex Research and Development Corporation



3 TNF a protein inhibitor (TAPI) prevents TNF a protease from. deteching the TNF from the cell surface, thereby preventing cellular damage.

## New Approach to Treating Toxic Shock

By Tim Hilchey

EW YORK - In a novel approach to treating toxic shock syndrome, researchers in Seattle have developed a chemical that blocks the formation of a protein responsible for the life-threatening consequences of the disease.

The protein, tumor necrosis factor, plays a critical role in the body's normal rune response to tumor cells and infection but can cause severe damage when produced in excess amounts. This is what happens in the case of toxic shock. The protein exists in two forms, a long form that is anchored inside the cell but extends outside its membrane, and a shorter form that is soluble and is released to roam in the blood. Problems occur when too much of the soluble form is released.

By John Noble Wilford

New York Times Service

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EW YORK — Digging among

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Dr. Roy A. Black and a team of researchers at the Immunex Research and Development Corporation have found a way to prevent the release of soluble tumor necrosis factor into the blood by blocking the protease, the enzyme that directs the cell to turn it loose. Their findings are reported in the British journal Nature.

The tests so far have been on mice, and Immunex officials said more animal testing must be done before the company decides whether to begin the long process of clinical trials needed to obtain U.S.

Tumor necrosis factor has been linked to a number of autoimmune diseases, including arthritis and multiple sclerosis, as well as asthma and transplant rejection, said Dr. Steven Gillis, the chief executive of Immunex. Biotechnology companies have been in a heated competition to find ways to inhibit its function. Several widely

touted discoveries in the field have failed to live up to their early promise.

Toxic shock, a rare form of septic shock, a complication of blood poisoning, is best known for its association with tampon use and has also been linked to staphyloccocus and strep A bacteria infections.

Dr. Charles J. Fisher Jr., a leading investi-gator of septic shock who is the director of critical-care research at the Cleveland Clinic in Ohio said the protease inhibitor is "very exciting because it is a small molecule" that. would be easy to distribute throughout the body at the cellular level. "Further, it has the potential, by virtue of being a small molecule, to be made into a medication that

can be taken orally," he said. Each year more than 400,000 Americans are affected by some degree of sepsis, Dr. Fisher said. Of those cases, about 250,000 progress to become septic shock, including cases of toxic shock, and more than 100,000 people die as a result.

## of chromosome 9 that included p16. gene on chromosome 9, in the area that is Analyzing the Jupiter Blasts

By Malcolm W. Browne New York Times Service

EW YORK -- The bad luck of the comet Shoemaker-Levy 9 in venturing too close to Jupiter was a bonanza for amateur stargazers and for professional astrophysicists. The greatest planetary show in history is over, but the scientific insights it may yield are yet to come, as astronomers begin to decipher their voluminous data.

When 21 fragments of the comet struck Jupiter, they dotted the face of the planet ith gigantic holes, some the size of Earth. White-hot gas from the planet's interior crupted through the holes in great fireballs, as if from cosmic cannons.

The world's greatest telescopes - in space as well as on remote mountaintops were ready for the show. Last week, as observers at these telescopes did some long-distance optical sniffing, they detected some malodorous but revealing chemicals on Jupiter, some of which could account for its colors and other features.

In measurements of the dazzling light produced by the bombardment, astronomers believe, they have detected hydrogen sulfide, a poisonous gas that smells like rotten eggs, in Jupiter's upper atmosphere.

A team using the Hubble Space Telescope also saw the pronounced signature of carbon disulfide, a smelly and poisonous solvent. Both compounds contain sulfur, which in finely powdered form could contribute to Jupiter's colors.

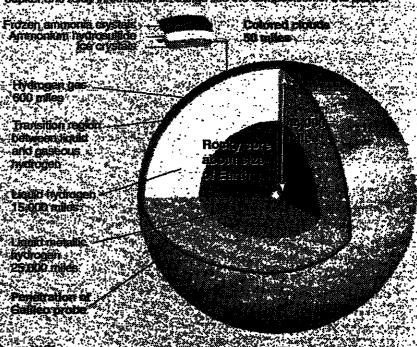
HE detection of sulfur-based compounds also suggests that the comet fragments may have penetrated the Jovian atmosphere to a depth of at least 20 miles (32 kilometers), because sulfur is not normally detectable in the upper atmosphere and must therefore have been dredged up from deeper layers.

Jupiter's lowest cloud layer, about 50 miles below the top of the atmosphere, is thought to consist of microscopic ice particles. Although some astronomers believe that they found hints of water in the debris of the explosions, others were unable to detect any water at all.

That may mean that the cometary fragments just barely impinged on the ice clouds. It could also mean other things; at this point astronomers are wary of expressing any opinions about the bombardment too strongly.

Another substance astronomers are looking for in Jupiter's gaudy clouds is phosphine, a compound of phosphorus

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and hydrogen. If, as many scientists suspect, this extremely poisonous gas is present, the clouds would probably smell of rotting fish. Although phosphine has been detected in the upper clouds of another giant planet, Saturn, astronomers are not yet certain whether phosphine is present in Jupiter's aunosphere.

Phosphine and hydrogen sulfide, respectively, are possible precursors of elemental phosphorus and sulfur, which could account for Jupiter's colors. Colors are especially vivid in the "Great Red Spot," and in the red, brown and yellow streaks in the planet's cloud bands.

One of the questions raised by the cometary impacts on Jupiter is why the impact spots looked black. No astronomer is ready to offer a definitive explanation, but there are several possibilities. The blackness might be caused by a shadow rather than a substance.

A more likely possibility is that the impact scars are blackened carbon derived from the carbon-based compounds known to exist on Jupiter. Some forms of sulfur might also be responsible.

Greater issues than aesthetics hang on Jupiter's colors and smells.

Astrophysicists regard Jupiter as a failed star that was not quite massive enough to crush and heat itself to the temperature that would allow hydrogen fusion, the process that fuels the Sun. But Jupiter's composition is believed to be essentially the same as that of the primordial Sun at the time the solar system was born.

An understanding of Jupiter's composion, structure and history could therefore shed much light not only upon the evolution of our solar system but also on all solar systems, the solid perches in the empty reaches of space where life is offered a chance to exist.

As nearly as astronomers can gauge, Jupiter is 88 percent hydrogen and 11 percent helium, with the remaining 1 percent consisting of small amounts of methane, ammonia, water, silicon and many other substances.

Until the bombardment by the comet, astrophysicists had no good way to peer into the planet's depths and discern details of its structure.

## fall of the Roman Empire. The discovery is a cemetery for infants,

excavated over the past two years by an international team led by Dr. David Soren, a classical archaeologist at the University of Arizona in Tucson. The cemetery overlooks the Tiber River near the town of Lugnano in Teverina, 70 miles (112 kilometers) north of Rome.

With 49 skeletons already uncovered, this is the largest ancient cemetery for infants ever found in Italy, Dr. Soren and other members of his team said in interviews last week. The tiny skeletons bear the first apparent physical evidence of the epidemics known from literature to have plagued imperial Rome, especially in its latter centuries.

The evidence, some direct but most circumstantial, points to malaria as the cause. That is not surprising because the marshes around Rome in earlier times were breeding grounds for mosquitoes, the source of the summer "vapors" blamed for leaving people weak or dying with fever. This association has been so strong that the word malaria comes from the Italian for

Did Malaria Finish Off Rome?

The hasty multiple burials in the infant cemetery tell of an epidemic's swift toll long ago. The presence of decapitated puppy skeletons, a raven's claw and other examples of pagan ritual seems to reflect the desperation of a people who, though by this time officially Christian, revived witchcraft and superstitious offerings in their moment of extreme stress.

"The preservation of the skeletons is remarkable, and there are all those puppies." Dr. Soren said. "There's nothing of Roman gods, not anything Christian in the place, only what might be called village

UT the Christian influence must have been established by then, or people would not have even thought to have a cemetery where newborn children were given proper burials. Since Christians baptized infants and considered them significant at least from birth, they could not merely discard dead infants or bury them within houses, as had been the earlier practice.

The discovery, made by Dr. Soren's team in conjunction with the Antiquities Service of Umbria, a government agency in Italy, was an outgrowth of the team's earlier investigations of the ruins at Villa Poggio Gramignano, described in the current issue of Archaeology magazine.
Built around the time of Jesus and in use

until the third century, the villa was unusu-

al architecturally in that it had a pyramidshaped ceiling over its main colonnaded reception hall. But the shifting hillside bedrock undermined the walls, causing the villa's collapse into ruins.

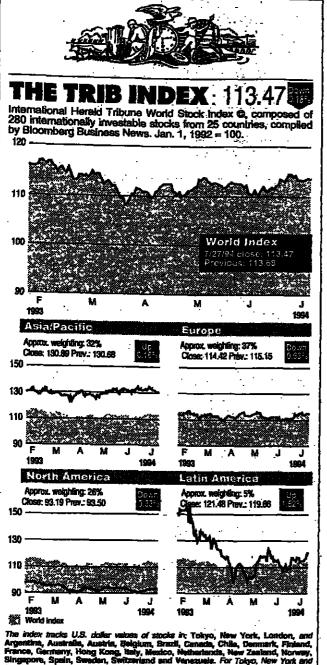
The uniformity of the pottery and other artifacts among the graves, Dr. Soren said, suggests that all the burials occurred over a brief period around the year 450.

Most of the infants were interred in earthen jars. At the lower levels, most graves contained a single skeleton; none held more than two. At higher levels, there were mass graves, each with five or six infants. Such a pattern indicates that the death rate in the community might have been normal at the time of the first burials, but it suddenly escalated, as from an epidemic. No adult graves have been found.

An examination of the skeletons reveals that some of those buried were premature infants. Others were no more than a month old, and others to five or six months old. The older children were generally buried in more elaborate graves, but the others were often interred amid refuse from the abandoned villa, further evidence, Dr. Soren said, of the Roman belief that newborn infants were not "worthwhile family members and should not be lamented much if they died."

From the evidence, Dr. Soren said, "the likely conclusion, based on the pattern of the burials, availability of food and the bone analysis, is that malaria was the agent

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## Tokyo Negotiating a Loan to Ford

By James Sterngold New York Times Service

TOKYO - With the government struggling to counter anger over Japan's trade surpluses and financially strapped investors pulling their capital back home, the Export-Import Bank of Japan is negotiating a huge, politically sensitive loan to Ford Motor Co.

The unusual loan being considered by the government-controlled bank, which could run to as much as \$300 million, would be aimed at helping Ford manufacture right-hand-drive autos for export to Japan. That, in turn, could help reduce Japan's trade surplus with the United States, which is expected to run as high as \$60 billion this year.

The negotiations with Ford are one sign that Japan, which has resisted U.S. demands that it guarantee increased purchases of American goods to whittle down the surplus, is anxiously looking for other means of narrowing the deficit and, not least, earning some goodwill in the United States.

The loan has not been made final, but its motivation was evident in the terms under which it would be made. Interest would be paid at a concessionary rate of slightly more than 4 percent. The Export-Import Bank says that is normal for its specialized lending. It is, however, much less than the 7.25 percent prime lending rate offered by U.S. commercial banks and thus could save Ford millions of dollars in interest payments.

Officially, the Export-Import Bank denied a report of the loan Wednesday in Nihon Keizai Shimbun, Japan's leading business newspaper.

Representatives of Ford Motor Co. (Japan) said they had no knowledge of

But other officials said that, while no decision has been made, talks have been under way with Ford and that loans to

other major American automakers might also be considered.

"At this point, the report was premature, but there have been discussions." said one official.

The consideration of the loan demonstrates the lengths to which Tokyo is willing to go to improve badly strained rela-tions with Washington. This is particularly true with the two sides facing a deadline of Sunday for completion of negotiations on increasing Japanese goverument procurement of foreign telecommunications and medical equipment.

The Clinton administration has insisted that the Japanese institute procedures to ensure the government will steadily increase its purchases of foreign telecommunications and medical products.

If no deal is reached by then, the United States may begin a procedure that could lead to sanctions against Japa-

## U.S. and Japan Extend Semiconductor Pact

WASHINGTON - Japan and the United States have agreed to continue a bilateral agreement on semiconductor trade for two more years, the U.S. trade

representative, Mickey Kantor, announced after talks in Washington. Mr. Kantor also called for a further, rise in the foreign share of Japan's com-

"Strong efforts must continue to be made over the remaining two years of the agreement to ensure that the arrangement achieves its goal of gradual and steady improvement in market access

across a wide range of competitive products," Mr. Kantor said.

The decision was made at a formal midterm review that ended Tuesday, after two quarters in which the foreign share of the Japanese semiconductor market has exceeded 20 percent.

The agreement will be continued for its full five-year term, which ends in July 1996, despite calls from some Japanese chip makers to end the agreement.

"The United States has always been committed to the vigorous implementation of the agreement for its full five-year

term and, thus, we are very pleased with this joint decision," he said. But Jiji Press reported in Tokyo that the

United States had agreed in principle that the accord did not guarantee a 20 percent market share for foreign companies. Japan contends that the accord goes no

further than noting the U.S. industry's "expectation" that foreign share of the Japanese market will exceed 20 percent.

Tokyo frequently cites "misunderstandings" arising from the agreement in rejecting numerical targets in separate negotiations with Washington

(AFP, Reuters)

## Euro Disney Halves Its 3d-Quarter Loss

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches PARIS — Theme park operator Euro Disney SCA said it fore charges, after it cut operatcreased attendance at its theme park outside Paris.

The operator of Euro Disneyfrancs (\$36 million) from 381 swaps.

million francs in the year-earlier quarter.

Revenue dropped 21 percent, halved its third-quarter loss be- to 1.16 billion francs from 1.47 billion francs, reflecting declining costs to compensate for de-ing theme park attendance coupled with price reductions at hotels, restaurants and shops.

The company also took a land Resort, which is managed one-time 352 million franc re-by a wholly owned unit of Walt structuring charge — mainly Disney Co., said its loss nar-bank underwriting commis-rowed to 194 million French sions and the unwinding of

said third-quarter earnings rose 3 percent on the box-office success of "The Lion King" and strong consumer product sales. Overall, Disney earned

A Euro Disney spokesman,

would not say what proportion

of the charge the commissions

share, in the third quarter end- franc standby credit. ed June 30, compared with last year's \$259.1 million, or 48 cents. Revenue rose 22 percent, to \$2.35 billion from \$1.94 bil-

Analysts said Euro Disney's sharp reduction in net loss, ex-cluding charges, for the three months to June showed that the company's restructuring drive was producing results.

Jacques-Henri Eyraud, said cern and could prove a stum-that bank commissions far out-bling block in the company's weighed any losses, but he effort to break even, if the lower revenue trend is confirmed in the current quarter, they added.

Euro Disney also has started Separately, Walt Disney Co., to benefits from the financial based in Burbank, California, restructuring agreed with its parent company and of creditor banks in May. The restructuring plan provided for a rights offering but also for substantial write-offs of interest payments \$267.5 million, or 49 cents a by banks and a new 1.1 billion-

The 10-year refinancing proabout i billion francs a year.

Waivers on interest payments meant Euro Disney's leasing costs on the theme park fell 50 percent in the third quarter. The company also has benefit-

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## **Auto Industry** Gains Speed in U.S. and Europe

By Lawrence Malkin

onal Herald Tribune stream of good news Wednes-day ranging from Detroit's fi-nancial and electronic subsid-iaries to two of Germany's and Asia. was more skeptical than the in-

times will last. Ford reported a record quarand the structure of the industry in transformation.

Ford stock fell \$1.25 to close at \$30.125.

The company disagreed. make ourselves to be leaner and ceded that the second quarter would probably be the peak for this year but said overall Ford sales and production continued to run above past trends and that third-quarter profit would be better than in the same period last year.

Ford led the recovery of Detroit's Big Three as the first to adapt design and production methods from its European subsidiary. General Motors Corp. finally started turning a profit last year and is expected to report increased and perhaps doubled earnings on Thursday. The consensus of analysts was \$1.8 billion for the second quarter, compared with \$889 million

GM reported Wednesday that, thanks to new contracts of \$4 billion, its Electronic Data Services subsidiary increased net income by 11 percent for gram will cut the company's fi-the second quarter, to \$197 milnancing charges by one-third to lion. General Motors Accep- have less money than in the nancing arm, cut second- many cars it may be competing quarter earnings from \$285 with itself when they come back million to \$216 million despite on the market. higher interest rates, but the

The Volkswagen group, Europe's largest automaker, said NEW YORK -Led by Ford that during the first half of this Motor Co. doubling its second- year its worldwide sales rose 7.8 quarter profit, the world auto- percent to 1,726,000 vehicles. mobile industry produced a Sales in Europe rose 2 percent

major automakers. Wall Street The luxury automaker Bayerische Motorenwerke AG reportdustry about how long the good ed a 14 percent increase in net profit to 290 million Deutsche marks (\$182 million) during the terly profit of \$1.71 billion, first six months of this year and more than twice the \$775 mil. a 7.4 percent increase in sales lion it earned during the same above the recession year of 1993. period last year. The perfor- The figures did not include mance exceeded most analysts' BMW's Rover acquisition in expectations, but many sus- Britain but the company reportpected that results might have ed a 16 percent increase in Rover peaked with interest rates rising and Land Rover sales in Britain and abroad.

The key to growth throughout the industry was a combination of cost-cutting and worldwide economic recovery, which Chairman Alex Trotman said boosted demand for cars. Ford would "continue to re- Ford's Mr. McCammon said sales in Europe were better than even more efficient," including in Europe, David McCammon, its troubled Jaguar subsidiary the chief financial officer, conthis year or next.

But after a decade of upheaval in the auto industry and Detroit's transformation to make cars more durable, "it is a point of hot contention" how many new cars the world's drivers will actually buy in the cyclical up-swing of the 1990s, said David Munro of High Frequency Economics, a former economic forecaster for GM.

Industry leaders such as Mr. McCammon project past trends and forecast U.S. sales of 15.5 million cars this year and perhaps 16 million next year, compared to 14.1 million in 1993. Even if the economy slows to a growth rate of about 3 percent as the result of higher interest rates. Mr. McCammon said Ford "could live with that."

But Mr. Munro said these projections are uncertain because cars last longer, buyers

Arvid Jouppi of Keane Secusubsidiary continues to be a rities in Detroit, a veteran in-cash cow earning about \$1 bil- dustry analyst, finds sales of 16 million "reasonable"

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## The Americanization of Tungsram

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By Jane Perlez New York Times Service
UDAPEST — Five years ago, amid handshakes and grins, General Electric Co. agreed to acquire Tungsram, a maker of lighting products and one of Hungary's industrial giants. Many predicted that the deal would show other Western corporations how to turn Communist-run

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enterprises into moneymakers. But as losses mounted, GE soon saw grand expectations colliding with grim realities, such as an embedded culture of waste, inefficiency and indifference.

GE's aggressive management system depends on communication between workers and managers — something the Communist system had forbidden. The Americans wanted sales, marketing and pampering of customers; the Hungarians believed these took care of themselves. Humgarians expected GE to deliver Western wages; the company came to

Hungary to pay lower wages.

"Human engineering was much more difficult than product engineering," said Charles P. Pieper, the GE executive brought in 19 months ago by John F. en on Hungary's generous three-year Welch Jr., chairman and chief executive, maternity leave have not been rehired. to rescue GE's investment. Now the company says the operation has been profitable for a year. Getting there meant laying off half of Tungsram's 20,000 workers, including three of every

A former employee, Istvan Kosa, 40, a financial analyst, said he understood GE's strategy. For those who lived

the cost." Janos Szlivka, leader of the trade union at the Kisvarda factory, pulled out a copy of a GE book given to him at a

'For those who lived through it, it seemed

Istvan Kosa, a former GE employee in Hungary

GE said that in ordering layoffs, em-ployees received considerably more than Hungarian law required. But many wom-The company adopted its American system of "action workouts." These worker teams tackled specific problems. But the workouts resulted in more ma-

chines and fewer people, making them a hard sell on the factory floor. If GE methods were demanding for the workers, they were an ordeal for the

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had to sit down two or three times a year and decide how we were going to reduce the number of employees and reorganize

motivational seminar and thumbed

through the pages. "Welch's slogans," he said: "If we're not No. 1 or No. 2 in a business, improve it, close it or sell it." The workers don't like it."

managers. "For the first year, it was very

through it, it seemed cruel," he said. "We difficult to know whether I could live up were forced into a situation where we to the expectations or not," said Miklos to the expectations or not," said Miklos Horvath, 54, manager of the Tungsram plant in Nagykanisza. Mr. Horvath, like most other survivors, had to attend English classes. He knew that if he could not perform smoothly in weekly conference

calls, he would not last. GE agreed to pay \$150 million for 50.1 percent of Tungsram in 1989, but in less than four years it had "lost the equity value of the company" and pumped in another \$195 million of fresh capital. All told, GE has invested \$550 million in Tungsram and now virtually owns it.

Tungsram, which accounted for 3 percent of Hungary's gross national product, was an inexpensive way for GE to enter the European market. Tungsram had 7 percent of the West European market in 1989. GE believed that Tungsram would be the vehicle for taking on Philips NV

and the Osram unit of Siemens AG. Company officials said the combination of GE productivity and Hungarian scientific ability was bringing results. With Tungsram and a British subsidiary, the former lighting business of Thorn EMI PLC, GE now has 16 percent of the market, company officials said.

"The workers are not against development, but at the same time, they want to be able to make a living." Mr. Szlivka said. "The workers don't understand why they make less money if the products they produce are as good as Philips'. Why is there such a difference in wages? Since the Iron Curtain was removed, people can see what is happening elsewhere."

## Lira Falls On Woes of Berlusconi

Compiled by Our Staff From Disp LONDON — All eyes were on the Italian lira Wednesday as it slumped on news that a warrant had been issued for the

arrest of the brother of Prime Minister Silvio Berlusconi. Italian financial markets went into decline, hit not only by Mr. Berlusconi's immediate problem but by fears for the stability of the government and its ability to take action on the budget deficit.

The lira dived toward record lows against the Deutsche mark on all markets. In New York, the mark closed at 1,009.59 lire, a continuing rise from Tues-day's 1,000.50 lire. There were reports of Bank

of Italy intervention, but the bank declined comment. A month ago the mark was trading at around 980 lire.
Italian government bonds dropped more than 100 basis

Only the stock market showed some resilience, although it also lost ground, as operators decided that there was only limited harm any political crisis could do to companies that are beginning to look

profitable again. Milan magistrates issued an arrest warrant for Paolo Berlusconi on suspicion of corruption as part of a rapidly developing probe into the ways that com-panies paid off government in-5¼ 5¼ 5 % 5 % 8.38 spectors.

The move came on the heels of an embarrassing backdown by the prime minister a week ago over a law which would have restricted judicial power to imprison corruption suspects such as his brother Paolo.

The Mibtel stock index finished down 1.73 percent at 11,051 although this was above the session low of 11,005. "There are big fears there will be delays to budget measures. that it will not be possible to

decide on the 1995 budget in September," said Pio de Gre-See LIRA, Page 10

## Stet's Tedeschi to Head Italy's IRI

Bloomberg Business News

ROME - Michele Tedeschi, managing director of Italy's state-owned telecommunica-tions company, on Wednesday was named president of the state holding company Istituto per la Ricostruzione Industriale.

He succeeds Romano Prodi, who resigned after the election of Prime Minister Silvio

Mr. Tedeschi has been managing director of Società Finanziaria Telefonica, or Stet, the state-owned telecommunications holding company which is part of IRI. The Italian Treasury owns 1RI.

The Treasury also nominated six other directors: Diego Della Valle, Mario Draghi, Pietro Gnudi, Roberto Tana, Giuseppe Urciuoli and Enrico Zanelli.

Mr. Prodi was responsible for IRI's program of asset sales in which several of the

company's holdings, including two banks,

were sold to private investors. Because of the sale, total revenue of IRI's companies fell to 79.8 trillion lire (\$52 billion) last year from 82.7 trillion lire in 1992. IRI

accounts for 2.6 percent of all jobs in Italy.

Mr. Tedeschi was brought into Stet by Mr.

Prodi. He is a supporter of Mr. Prodi's assetsales program, which is based on the creation of an English-style public company with a broad shareholder base rather than a French model of a small group of controlling share-

His nomination assures a continuation of

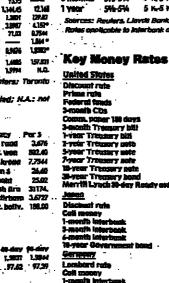
Mr. Prodi's policy. IRI still controls Italy's national airline. several shipping lines, the country's main telecommunications provider, a bank, ship building and construction companies, three televi-sion networks and most of Italy's defense and aerospace manufacturers.



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### MARKET DIARY

## Signs of Growth Send Stocks Lower

NEW YORK — The stock market followed bond prices lower Wednesday, pressured by news of stronger-than-expected economic activity and by ideas that carnings growth has

The Dow Jones Industrial Average slipped 15.21 points to close at 3,720.47,

Declining stocks outnum-

#### bered advances about 4 to 3 on U.S. Stocks

the New York Stock Exchange, where volume totaled 253 million shares.

The yield on the benchmark U.S. 30-year Treasury bond closed at 7.61 percent, up from 7.54 percent Tuesday. The bond was priced at 84 6/32.

Treasury prices tumbled after the Commerce Department reported that orders to U.S. factories for big-ticket items rose a higher-than-expected 1.3 per-

cent in June.

Bond investors do not like signs of strong growth, which carries the threat of inflation. That erodes the value of fixedincome securities.

And stock investors do not like to see bond prices fall because that pushes up credit market interest rates. Higher rates make share prices less ap-

pealing relative to interest-bearing investments and make borrowing more expensive.

Among actively traded is-sues, Ford Motor fell 14 to 30%, even though the secondlargest automaker in the United. States said its second-quarter profit, reported Wednesday, was higher than expected.

"People are saying that these are peak earnings for this cycle, which means multiples will retract and stocks will eventually decline," said Anthony Dwyer, chief market strategist at Sherwood Securities.

Disney closed 1/2 higher at

42% after it reported higherthan-expected earnings in the third quarter.

Telefonos de México jumped 14 to 60 after Prudential Securities raised its rating on Mexico stock funds, citing solid economic growth and strong earnings potential for Mexican, blue chip companies. The drug company Biogen shot up 15% to 44% after it said

it was seeking Food and Drug Administration approval for a drug that would slow the progression of multiple sclerosis. Shares of Bethlehem Steel fell: 11/2 to 20% after the company reported lower-than-expected earnings.

(AP, Bloomberg, Knight-Ridder)

## LIRA: Leader's Woes Hit Currency

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gorio, European economist at NatWest Markets in London. Tough action on the budget is vital to meet accords with the

European Union to bring Italy's \$1 trillion debt under con-

Italian 10-year government bonds for September delivery

## Foreign Exchange

on the Italian Futures Market were down 1.36 at 101.47.

In New York, the dollar fell against the mark for a third day after a U.S. economic report raised concern about inflation and sent Treasury bond prices

The U.S. currency rebounded from earlier losses against the yen, meanwhile, after C. Fred Bergsten, an economist who is

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thought to have close ties to the Clinton administration, said he thought Washington and Japan would reach an agreement on opening Japanese markets.

Government bonds fell, dragging the dollar lower, after Toesca Clinton administration, said he

dragging the dollar lower, after Commerce Department said durable goods orders rose suggesting the economy is growing fast enough to generate

DM, down from 1.5850 DM on Tuesday. It rose to 98,425 yen'

several other major currencies week. Wednesday, falling to 5.3820 French francs from 5.4098 at 1,586. The British pound rose AT&T said. to \$1.5321 from \$1.5244.

more than expected in June, Market Sales The dollar closed at 1.5744

from 98.25 yen on Tuesday.

Gloyne, manager of institutional foreign-exchange trading at First National Bank of Chicago. As long as that's the case, "the dollar won't break back above 100 yen," The dollar weakened against

Every Japanese exporter has dollars to sell, said Peter Personal Communicator Maker EO to Close, AT&T Says

NEW YORK -- American Telephone & Telegraph Co. said Wednesday that its once high-flying wireless venture EO Inc. would go out of business at the end of the

The privately held company, formed in 1991, "was unable to secure additional francs on Tuesday. The lira financing needed to bring to market its held its own against the dollar next-generation personal communicator,

> Personal communicators are notebook-(Reuters, Bloomberg) sized devices that allow users to make phone

calls, send faxes, use electronic mail, page someone and run computer functions.

AT&T was one of the original investors in EO and became the majority owner in August 1993, increasing its stake to 52 percent. The closure will not have a significant effect on 1994 earnings, AT&T said.

"Given the slow development of the personal communicator market generally, and the low acceptance of EO's products, AT&T believed it would not be prudent for AT&T to invest more in EO without additional financing from other investors," said Carl

Ledbetter, president of AT&T Consumer

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Products and an EO board member. EO had estimated 100 million personal communicators would be sold by the year 2000. It has sold fewer than 10,000, at prices ranging from \$1,500 to \$3,000 each.

Separately, AT&T said it had joined 30 international telecommunications carriers

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\$155 million network, called ITUR, will the three months ended link Italy, Turkey, Ukraine and Russia.

June 30, up from \$331 million in the 1993 quarter. Sales rose to

DuPont Net Soars 53% in 2d Quarter WILMINGTON, Delaware (Bloomberg) - DuPont Co. said Wednesday that it posted a 53 percent in second-quarter profit to \$792 million as a result of cost-cutting and higher sales volume.

Net income would have risen 56 percent, but the company was saddled with a charge of \$47 million for litigation involving a finished with a charge of \$47 million for litigation involving a finished with a charge of \$47 million for litigation involving a finished with a charge of \$47 million for litigation involving a finished with a charge of \$47 million for litigation involving a finished with a charge of \$47 million for litigation involving a finished with a charge of \$47 million for litigation involving a finished with a charge of \$47 million for litigation involving a finished with a charge of \$47 million for litigation involving a finished with a charge of \$47 million for litigation involving a finished with a charge of \$47 million for litigation involving a finished with a charge of \$47 million for litigation involving a finished with a charge of \$47 million for litigation involving a finished with a charge of \$47 million for litigation involving a finished with a charge of \$47 million for litigation involving a finished with a charge of \$47 million for litigation involving a finished with a charge of \$47 million for litigation involving a finished with a charge of \$47 million for litigation involving a finished with a charge of \$47 million for litigation involving a finished with a charge of \$47 million for litigation involving a finished with a charge of \$47 million for litigation involving a finished with a charge of \$47 million for litigation involving a finished with a charge of \$47 million for litigation involving a finished with a charge of \$47 million for litigation involving a finished with a charge of \$47 million for litigation involving a finished with a charge of \$47 million for litigation involving a finished with a charge of \$47 million for litigation involving a finished with a charge of \$47 million for litigation involving a finished with a charge of \$47 million for litigation involving a finished with a charge of \$47 milli

fungicide and results from last year included a charge of \$21 milion on the sale of petroleum-producing properties. Revenue rose 7.6 percent, to \$10.44 billion.

## Disney Prince Buys Fairmont Stake

SAN FRANCISCO (Reuters) — A Sandi prince who recently came to the rescue of the Euro Disney theme park said he had bought a stake in the prestigious Fairmont hotel chain for an undisclosed sum.

Prince Walid ibn Talal ibn Abdulaziz, a member of the Saudi royal family, and the Swig family of San Francisco, the current owners of the luxury Fairmont chain, announced they would form a 50-50 partnership to own and operate the flagship Fairmont Hotel in San Francisco and two other Fairmont hotels in New

The San Francisco Fairmont, built in 1907, is one of the city's Oricans and Dallas. best-known landmarks. The United Nations Charter was signed there in 1945. Fairmont hotels in Chicago and San Jose, California, will continue under the ownership of the Swig family.

### **Bids Mount in Broadcast Auction**

WASHINGTON (Bloomberg) — More than a dozen compa-nies pushed bids above \$400 million on Wednesday as they vised for 10 licenses being offered in the Federal Communications Commission's first anction of broadcast spectrum. After two rounds of bidding in the third day of the anction, bids totaled \$411.6 million for 10 licenses to provide "narrow-band" personal communications services. That was as much as 10 times

personal communications services. That was as much as 10 times the amount anticipated by government officials, analysts and even

some of the anction participants.

The highest bid for a single license was \$60.7 million.

The licenses will enable winning bidders to use certain parts of the radio spectrum to offer advanced paging and messaging

### U.S. Beer Volume Lifts Anheuser Net

ST. LOUIS (Combined Dispatches) — Anheuser-Busch Cos. said Wednesday that second-quarter net income rose 4.5 percent on higher beer sales volume, especially in the United States.

The world's largest brewer said net income rose in the latest quarter to \$322.5 million, but had been held back by lower capitalized interest from the start-up of the company's Carters-ville brewery last spring.

Sales rose 5.2 percent, to \$3.61 billion.

The company also noted that an agreement to acquire 80 percent in the Zhongde Brewery in China is expected to be completed at the end of the year.

(Bloomberg, Reuters)

Signet Spins Off Credit Card Business RICHMOND, Virginia (AP) — Signet Banking Corp. said Wednesday that it was spinning off its credit card business. forming a separate company that will be 80 percent owned by the

Signet filed a registration statement with the Securities and ion to sell 19.9 percent of the new company's shares to the public. The remaining shares will be distributed taxfree to Signet stockholders, the bank said.

### Northrop Grumman Earnings Rise

LOS ANGELES (Reuters) - Northrop Grumman Corp. said Wednesday its second-quarter earnings rose nearly 23 percent

because of improved operating margins.

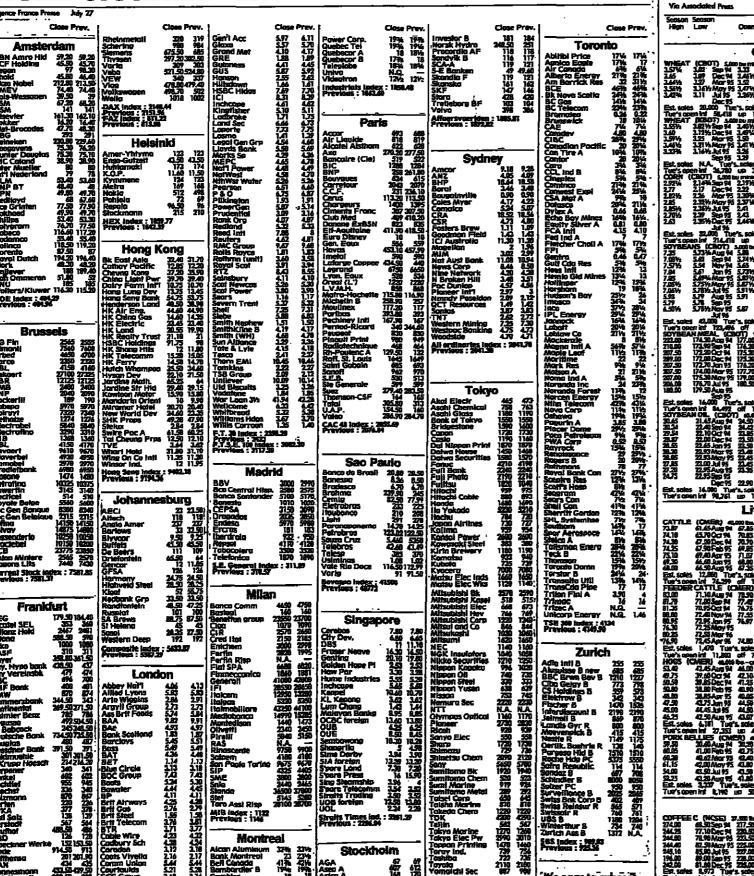
The defense and acrospace company earned a net \$65 million in the period, up from a net \$53 million in the 1993 quarter. Revenue rose to \$1.69 billion from \$1.31 billion.

### Higher Productivity Lifts 3M Profit

MAPLEWOOD, Minnesota (AP) — Minnesota Mining & Manufacturing Co. said Wednesday its second-quarter profit rose nearly 4 percent from the year-earlier period because of improved

(Knight-Ridder, AFX, Reuters, Bloomberg) \$3.77 billion from \$3.54 billion.

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## **Allianz Profit** Leaps 70% as Losses Narrow

By Brandon Mitchener onal Herald Tribune MUNICH - Allianz AG Holding on Wednesday reported sizable gains in premium income and overall net profit in 1993 and said it was poised to

reap the benefits of its recent international expansion. The company's results included an "appreciable reduction" in its underwriting deficit. Underwriting losses fell 490 million Deutsche marks (\$308 million) to 1.19 billion DM as a result of price increases, strict risk selection and cost reduc-tions in its East German, U.S.,

Italian and British operations. "We are more flexible and competitive than a year before and face the challenges of the new European common market with optimism as a result," said Henning Schulte-Noelle, the

company's chairman Net profit at Europe's biggest insurance company rose 70 per-cent, to 1.46 billion DM, from 860 million DM a year earlier. Per-share earnings, omitting extraordinary items, rose to 41 DM from 24.05 DM in 1993.

For this year, Mr. Schulte-Noelle said, profit may improve from the 1993 level, even though last year's net income was boosted by a one-time tax

benefit of 253 million DM. For 1994, Mr. Schulte-Noelle predicted a leveling off of growth in premium income and warned that a weak dollar could adversely affect the company's earnings by hundreds of mil-lions of marks. Each shift of one plennig in the exchange rate results in a change in revenue of 100 million DM, he said.

A key reason for the underwriting loss was high claims for car thefts in its core German market, Allianz said, adding that it was pressured by storm damage claims.

As in the past, Allianz played down the immediate impact of the July I liberalization of the market for insurance in the 12nation European Union. The change allows insurance companies to sell their products across borders without prior regulatory approval and is expected to spur competition, es-pecially in traditionally conser-

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Germany and Italy.

"We are bracing for more in-tense competition in all the important European markets, but there won't be a big bang," Mr. Schulte-Noelle said.

Analysts agreed. "The liberalization won t be as important for Allianz as for the competitors that are just beginning to branch out," said Annalies Dib-bern, an insurance industry analyst at M.M. Warburg Bank in Hamburg.

Allianz's non-German business accounted for 47.5 percent of group sales in 1993. Mr. Schulte-Noelle said the United States, already the company's second most important market, after Germany, was growing in

"U.S. premiums accounted for around half the non-German business in 1993," he said, largely as a result of strong growth in private pension and life insurance policies.

Despite the company's rapid international growth of the last few years, Mr. Schulte-Noelle said Allianz was still actively searching for partners in several countries, including France, Italy and Austria.

The company is in the early stages of negotiations with Crédit Lyonnais of France and in "preliminary negotiations" with Creditanstalt-Bankverein of Austria, he said.

In addition to growing sales at bank counters, Mr. Schulte-Noelle said Allianz and other insurers would consider expanding their direct insurance business where appropriate. By eliminating middlemen, companies are able to lower their prices, sometimes significantly, through direct sales.

But while Britain and the Netherlands have found direct marketing of some kinds of insurance policies to be lucrative, we're still waiting for proof that it can deliver big results in Germany," he said.

Some companies have sold msurance in Germany directly since the mid-1970s, but their to 3 percent of the market.

## An Avalanche of Sellers Russian Investors in MMM Left in the Cold

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

MOSCOW - Russians raced to sell shares in the country's best-known investment fund Wednesday, crowding stock exchanges and company offices to dump securities that had lost half their value virtually overnight.

Officials from the investment company MMM accused the government of trying to drive them out of business and said its estimated 10 million investors would not stand by idly if the company was forced to close. Fin: ncial analysts also said the threat of the company's collapse should prompt muchneeded regulatory reforms in the immature

financial markets. But exchange officials said the panic selling was a catastrophe waiting to happen.

If our state is so weak that it can be frightened by an outcry by MMM shareholders, I can only feel sorry for it," said Alexei Vlasov, president of the Russian Commodities and Raw Materials Exchange.

Late last week the government said it would not guarantee money put into numer-ous similar investment funds that have sprung up in the past,

"The paper is hollow. There are no dividends, no investment projects," Mr. Vlasov said. "In the West, any issue of shares like MMM would mean immediate imprison-

Officials at the Russian Finance Ministry have likened MMM to a classic pyramid scheme, in which cash from new share pur-

chases is used to buy back old shares at everrising prices. When new investment dries up, the cash to pay dividends or buy shares back at higher rates dries up as well.

One Finance Ministry official said: "It had to happen sooner or later. As soon as MMM stopped buying its shares back, you get an

Traders outside the company's Moscow headquarters offered 30,000 rubles (\$15) for shares that had fetched 110,000 rubles before the company this week stopped buying shares back at branch offices across Russia.

Tax officials also have accused the company of irregularities. MMM has long been alent about its investment activities. Sergei Taranov, the company spokeman, said MMM was a major shareholder in a Russian auto company and had invested money in a hotel complex. But he refused to say how much the firm had invested in outside projects or how many shares it had.

Company officials also have said in the past that the fund speculated in currency markets and offered short-term loans.

Mr. Vlasov said several investors were still buying shares in the hope they could sell them back to the firm at higher rates.

He said the government might have to foot the bill for MMM losses. "This is a brilliant example of how millions of people are duped by high-quality advertisements into buying paper which is worth nothing," he said. (Reuters, Bloomberg)

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### Statoil Profit Rises 42% Reuters' Net Rose **Despite Oil Price Drop** LONDON — Reuters Holdings PLC on Wednesday said

OSLO - Statoil AS said Wednesday that its net profit, buoyed strong financial results, surged 42 percent, to 2.7 billion kroner (\$390 million), in the first half of 1994.

Operating profit rose only 4.5 percent, to 7 billion kroner, affected by a fall in oil prices and a marked reduction in margins on refining operations. Sales rose 3 percent, to 41.4 billion kroner. The company said it expected to maintain a high production level in the second half but warned that there was great uncertainty about oil prices and the dollar exchange rate.

The company's exploration and production division posted an operating profit of 3.9 billion kroner, off 28 percent because of wer oil prices. It said that average production during the period had been a record 441,000 barrels a day.

Operating profit in the gas division rose 41 percent, to 2.3 billion kroner, due to higher volume and a somewhat higher gas price than in the first half of 1993. Separately, the Norwegian oil company Saga Petroleum AS

said it would invest about \$35 million in a Libyan oil field in spite of United Nations trade sanctions against Tripoli. Arne Halvorsen, chief spokesman of the company, said that Disney Cuts Loss

Saga was committed to a considerable investment in Libya. The UN Security Council tightened sanctions in November in a sales account for just 2 percent boycott that now includes refining, transport and production of

## **BAT Profit** Slips 4.2%, Sales Flat

LONDON - BAT Industries PLC said Wednesday that pretax profit for the second quarter of 1994 fell 4.2 percent, although the year-earlier results included larger one-time gains.

The tobacco and financialservices company said pretax profit for the three months ended June 30 fell to £525 million (\$800 million) from £548 million in the year-earlier period.

The second quarter in 1993 included a one-time gain of £135 million from the exchange of tobacco brands with Ameri can Brands Inc. The second quarter this year included a one-time profit of £56 million on the sale of Willards Foods Pty. in South Africa.

Excluding one-time items in both years, pretax profit rose nearly 14 percent, to £469 million from £413 million.

Although Patrick Sheehy, the chairman of BAT, said the result "disguises a much better underlying performance from both financial services and to-bacco," shareholders sold the company's shares in London. BAT shares closed at £4.36, down 12 pence from Tuesday.

BAT said sales for the second quarter were unchanged at £5.1 billion, while tobacco sales rose l percent, to £3.28 billion. Profit on tobacco in the three months fell to £308 million

from £429 million in the 1993 quarter, but last year's figures included the profit from the pretax profit rose 14 percent in the first half, to £245 million deal with American Brands. Profit at the U.S. tobacco

unit Brown & Williamson rose 76 percent in the first six Sales were up 22 percent to £1.09 billion. First-half costs months of the year, "benefiting from greater stability in the rose 23 percent to £872 million U.S. cigarette market," BAT because of investments in the said. The comparable period in 1993 was marked by cigarette-price wars in the United States, company's telecommunications ture of £102 million on acquirafter rival Philip Morris Cos. ing Quotron Systems and Tekcut prices of its Marlboro

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#### **Very briefly:**

Christiania Bank & Kreditkasse posted net profit of 780 million kroner (\$114 million) in the first half, up from 324 million in the 1993 first half, helped by much lower provisions for credit losses. • Rensult SA will ask shareholders to approve increasing its capital to 5.67 billion French francs (\$1 billion) from 3.40 billion

francs by raising each share's nominal value. The European Commission has cleared 2.1 billion French francs of French government aid toward an 8.3 billion-franc four-year research program conducted by SGS-Thomson Microelectronics. Crédit Lyonnais, which posted a 6.9 billion French franc loss in 1993, is unlikely to break even before 1995, its chairman said.

 Siemens AG is negotiating a full or partial acquisition of Amper SA, the Spanish telecommunications company. The European Commission has agreed to close an investigation

into government subsidies to Kloeckner Stahl GmbH. • EKO Stabl AG's 300 million Deutsche mark (\$188 million) aid package from the government is being investigated by the commission, which said it would not approve the aid until a viable

restructuring plan for the steelmaker had been drafted. Empresa Nacional de Electricidad SA's first-half net profit rose 13.1 percent, to 64.67 billion pesetas (\$495 million), helped by rising electricity demand and a rate increase.

• Lloyds Abbey Life PLC's pretax profit jumped 13 percent, to £171.8 million (\$262 million), in the first half of 1994, fueled by growth in the nonlife insurance business.

## PARK:

Continued from Page 9 ed from the canceling of royalty payments to the Walt Disney Co. No royalties will be paid to the parent company until 1998. But analysts say it's too early to talk about light at the end of

the tunnel. "Overall, the figures point in the right direction, that is to say to an improvement in results from operations," said Jacques Falzon, an analyst at the bro-kerage concern Transbourse. "But unfortunately, those three

months are not very representa-tive, because of all of the up-heavals," he said.

Mr. Eyraud said June was traditionally not a good month in the tourism industry, but he declined to say if the company was disappointed with the park's performance during the Easter school vacation and the

May public holidays.

Analysts say they'll have a clearer idea of the park's financial future when the results of the rights issue are known next month.

month.

Euro Disney received a sign of encouragement last month when a Saudi prince, Walid ibn Talal ibn Abdulaziz, said he planned to invest as much as 1.9 billion francs to acquire between 13 percent and 25 percent of Euro Disney stock, as well as lending up to \$100 milwell as lending up to \$100 million to build a conference center at the resort.
(Bloomberg, AFX)

## **British Telecom Profit Rises 3.2%**

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches LONDON — British Telecommunications PLC said Wednesday its pretax profit rose 3.2 percent in its first quarter as growing demand for

set a decline in revenue from phone calls. Pretax profit was £781 milmillion a year earlier. Revenue

rose 1.3 percent, to £3.38 bil-The results included a charge of about £54 million to cover job cuts, which cost the company £53 million in the 1993 period.

lain Vallance, the chairman of the company, said the results. which were at the top end of analysts' forecasts, would compensate for expected weaker returns for the remaining quarters of the year. In subsequent quar-ters, results will reflect layoffs

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and previously announced price centives, that included abolishing the weekday peak-rate pre-

cuts in the fall or early winter. "We expect a divergent set of John Tysoe, an analyst at Société Générale Strauss Turnbull. phone lines and equipment off-

While British Telecom's call volume increased during the quarter, call revenue was hurt

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quarterly reports this year," said charges. The increase in call volume was not big enough to offset the price cuts; British call revenue fell 2.3 percent. International call sales

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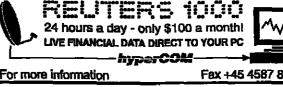
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## China Lets \* U.S. Makers Of Software **Bring Suit**

BELJING -- A new intellec-:ual-property court has agreed o hear complaints by three U.S. computer software companes that their products were pirated by Chinese retailers, the official China Daily reported Wednesday.

The court said it had accepted awsuits by Microsoft Corp., Lotus Development Corp. and Aulodesk Inc. and begun a formal nvestigation, the paper said, The suit alleges that the plaintiffs lost millions of dollars in profits from 10 incidents of

20pyright infringement. Stephanie Mitchell, vice presilent of Business Software Alliance, said in a telephone interview from India that the suit seeks from \$10,000 to \$30,000 for each copyright breach, but "total damages will be far high-ar." The Washington-based alliance is representing the plain-

tiffs in the suit. The suit alleges that five companies illegally copied, displayed and sold the plaintiffs' copyrighted software. The companies named are Gaoli Computer Co. Sanhua Electronics, Huili Computer Co., Huiqin Computer Shop and the Beijing branch of Giant Group, one of China's largest computer software retail-

The Intellectual Property Rights Chamber of Beijing People's Intermediate Court accepted the case after an inquiry in which the court confiscated at least six computers and 300 diskettes containing purloined programs, China Daily said.

Washington has been pressuring Beijing to strengthen protection of intellectual property rights, including copyrights and patents.

the company said second-half Meanwhile, Beijing rejected a results should be even stronger. U.S. demand that it close down "The growth in sales is pretty much across all product lines," 26 compact-disc factories accused of flooding Asian mar-kets with pirated CDs. said Ramon Vicente Kabigting

"It is against the law for an analyst at Anscor Hagedorn administrative agency to order the closure of these factories," said Zhang Yuejiao, a deputy department director at the Ministry of Foreign Trade and Economic Cooperation.

ies pro-rated according to the (Reuters, Bloomberg, AP) parent company's percentage of

## Honda: Vietnamese for Motorcycle Demand for 'Dream II' May Spur Production Accord

HANOI - In many parts of Vietnam, "Honda" means "motorcycle." The use of a brand name for a generic item may upset trademark lawyers, but it does not

displease the sales department of Japan's Honda Motor Co. According to the consumers association in Vietnam, 94 percent of the cars and motorcycles in Hanoi and Ho Chi Minh City are Japanese-made. The po-

lice department licenses about 2.7 million motorcycles nationwide. By far the most popular model is the 100cc Honda.

"It is hard to estimate the exact statistics," says Yoshihisa Takase, the company's chief representative. "We believe that as much as 90 percent of the bikes on the road are Hondas."

Nguyen Ha Kien, in her 20s, has saved for a motorcycle. The Honda model she wants will cost \$1,000 more than that, but she refuses to settle for

anything less. "Hondas are very mot," said Nguyen Ha Kien, using the Vietnamese word for trendy. "When you work for a foreign company and you drive a Honda Dream

II, people look at you differently." Demand for the Dream II has sent prices soaring. The \$2,700 charged by some dealers compares with price tags of \$1,800 or \$2,000 on comparable Hondas

MANILA - San Miguel

Corp., a brewer and food-pro-

cessing company, said Wednes-

day its net income rose 40 per-

cent, to 2.23 billion pesos (\$85.5

million), in the first balf of 1994

as economic growth stimulated

the period in spite of a two-week strike in the Manila area

in June, and analysts as well as

Securities. "The important

thing is that the growth is evi-

The group's net sales, a figure

that includes sales of subsidiar-

dentily sustainable.

The company also said its

sales had risen 8 percent during Pesos.

sales of consumer goods.

You could get by for about \$1,000 less Hanoi to select locations for service and by buying a more powerful Honda less practical in crowded and potholed city streets -- or if you find a different make acceptable.

Honda is studying the feasibility of opening its own assembly lines in Vietnam, Mr. Takase said. The company exports bikes from Japan, but others come from subsidiaries elsewhere in Southeast Asia.

The Vietnamese government estimates that 270,000 bikes from all manufacturers are brought into the country each

New motorcycles are subject to an import duty of about 50 percent, and importing used motorcycles has been forbidden since February. The government says importing mo-

torcycles causes social disorder by cost-

ing the government tax revenue while some organizations and individuals get Mr. Takase predicts the Vietnamese market will continue to grow. "The motorcycle has become part of the lifestyle of Vietnam," he says. "People cannot live without it. They know it's utility and

convenience in their lives and not just for

Mr. Takase declined to put a time frame on production, but he said the company was talking to major motorcy-cle workshops in Ho Chi Minh City and

economic activity usually is

stronger in the third and fourth

quarters. "I expect the fourth

quarter to be exceptionally

strong," Mr. Kabigting said The company itself was also

optimistic about the year.

to be buoyant for the rest of

1994, driven by strong com-modity prices and heightened

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centers," San Miguel said.

Sales are expected to continue

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San Mignel, whose opera-tions include breweries in Hong

Kong, China and Indonesia, ac-

counts for about 22 percent of

the beachmark Philippine stock

index. It is the country's largest

company, with a market capi-

talization of about 155 billion

The company's net income,

excluding the sale of a stake of

50 percent in Magnolia Corp. to

Nestle SA and other nonrecur-

ring items, declined 6 percent

last year after sales were bat-

tered by an electricity shortage.

Net income was strong because

the company's performance in

the first half was compared with "a very low base," said Ivy

Cayayan, an analyst with Pryce

Although the company did

not disclose sales figures for

specific products, Mr. Cayayan

spare-parts outlets.

Honda is seeking an investment license and a joint-venture partner in Vietnam. The company must also decide whether to locate its factory in the south or the north

But some of the hard work - creating a market through imports of bikes - will not be a problem. In much the same way that Hoover became the term for "vacuum cleaner" in British households, "Honda" in Vietnam has surpassed brand-name recognition and is now simply a word meaning "motorcycle."

Mr. Takase said some Honda motorcycles here have withstood more than 30 years of bumpy roads and heavy rains.

The young form a ready market, and many Vietnamese are young. More than 65 percent of the population is under 14, according to the International Labor Or-

In Ho Chi Minh City, hundreds of motorcyclists clog the main streets on weekend evenings, circling around the main square. In Hanoi, the reckless bikers race without brakes near the central lake.

Some people work two or three jobs to find the necessary cash for a Honda. As personal wealth increases, Viet-

namese officials want to make sure local industry gets a slice of the action.

#### Oil Discoveries Off Vietnam The Associated Press

HO CHI MINH CITY -Foreign companies exploring for oil and gas in Vietnamese said a recent talk with company officials revealed that sales waters will announce as many growth was being driven by as five new discoveries in the consumer spending for beer, near future, the chairman of the soft drinks and food products. state-owned oil company Petro-In 1993, San Miguel's bever-Vietnam, Ho Si Thoang, said age division contributed 65 per-Wednesday. He also reasserted cent of total sales. Vietnam's sovereignty over the Analysts said San Miguel was Tu Chinh offshore area and Vietnam's sovereignty over the likely to report even better resaid his company's drilling acsults for all of 1994 because tivity there was continuing.

## Bechtel Plan Port

BELJING - Bechtel Inc., the American construction and engineering company, has has set up a joint venture with China International Trust & Investment Corp. to manage construction of a port planned for eastern China.

The equally owned venture, Xinde Joint Development Co., will spend between \$3 billion and S6 billion to transform the mainly rural 31-square-kilometer (12.4-square-mile) Daxie Island into a port town.

The development, on an island 140 kilometers south of Shanghai, will include major container and petroleum terminals and industrial, commercial and residential areas, the companies said.

They said the island's natural deep-water port, its location close to Shanghai and Ningbo and China's desperate need for modern port facilities would make the project successful.

The Daxie port will offer sheltered harbors and coastline depths of 20 to 46 meters, far deeper than most Chinese ports, the companies said.

Cargo traffic through the region's ports will hit 520 million tons by 2005, more than triple 1991's volume. a prospectus estimated, adding that the projected traffic exceeded the capacity of China's existing ports. The Daxie Island project is

expected to take 15 years to complete, and agreements on several first-phase projects are expected to be concluded by the end of the first quarter of 1995. CITIC and San Francisco-

based Bechtel will invest in portions of the project, and other parts will be offered to other Chinese or foreign companies. (Bloomberg, AFP)



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#### Very briefly:

 Thailand put Bangkok's mass-transit system on hold, one day before construction was to begin.

· Australia's consumer price index rose 0.7 percent in the June quarter and 1.7 percent over the past year.

• Far Eastern Textile Ltd., one of Taiwan's largest industrial companies, said provisional pretax profit for the first half of 1994 rose 47 percent from a year earlier, to \$34 million.

India's Supreme Court cleared the way for cellular phone systems in New Delhi, Bombay, Calcutta and Madras.

Japan's motor vehicle exports in the first half fell 19.9 percent, the biggest drop in any six-month period since the nation began keeping such records in 1973.

• Airbus Industrie said it would invest \$25 million in maintenance, training and spare-parts facilities in China.

 China's number of approved foreign investment projects fell 42 percent, to 25,450, in the first half of the year.

Taiwan has set its gross national product growth target at 6.2 percent for 1995, compared with 5.94 percent for 1994, because of rising domestic demand.

## Pacific Century Makes a Takeover Bid for Seapower

SINGAPORE — Pacific Century Group said Wednesday it had made a takeover offer of 222.2 million Singapore dollars (\$147 million) for Seapower Asia Investments Ltd.

Hong Kong-based Pacific Century. which earlier bought a 13 percent stake in Seapower, said it had exercised an option to buy a further 32.7 percent at

1.45 Singapore dollars a share, raising its total interest to 45.7 percent. In May, Pacific Century, owned by Richard Li, the son of Hong Kong inves-tor Li Ka-shing, said it would make a general takeover offer for Seapower as required by Singapore rules if it exer-

In exercising its option, Pacific Century said it would pay 72.8 million dollars

cised its options.

for all the paro-up capita. Anglang Investments Ltd., whose sole asset is 32.7

percent of Seapower. Seapower, which is listed in Singapore, has interests in financial services, real estate and hotels.

Upon completion of the offer, Pacific Century plans to change the company's name to Pacific Century Regional Developments Ltd. (Reuters, Bloomberg)

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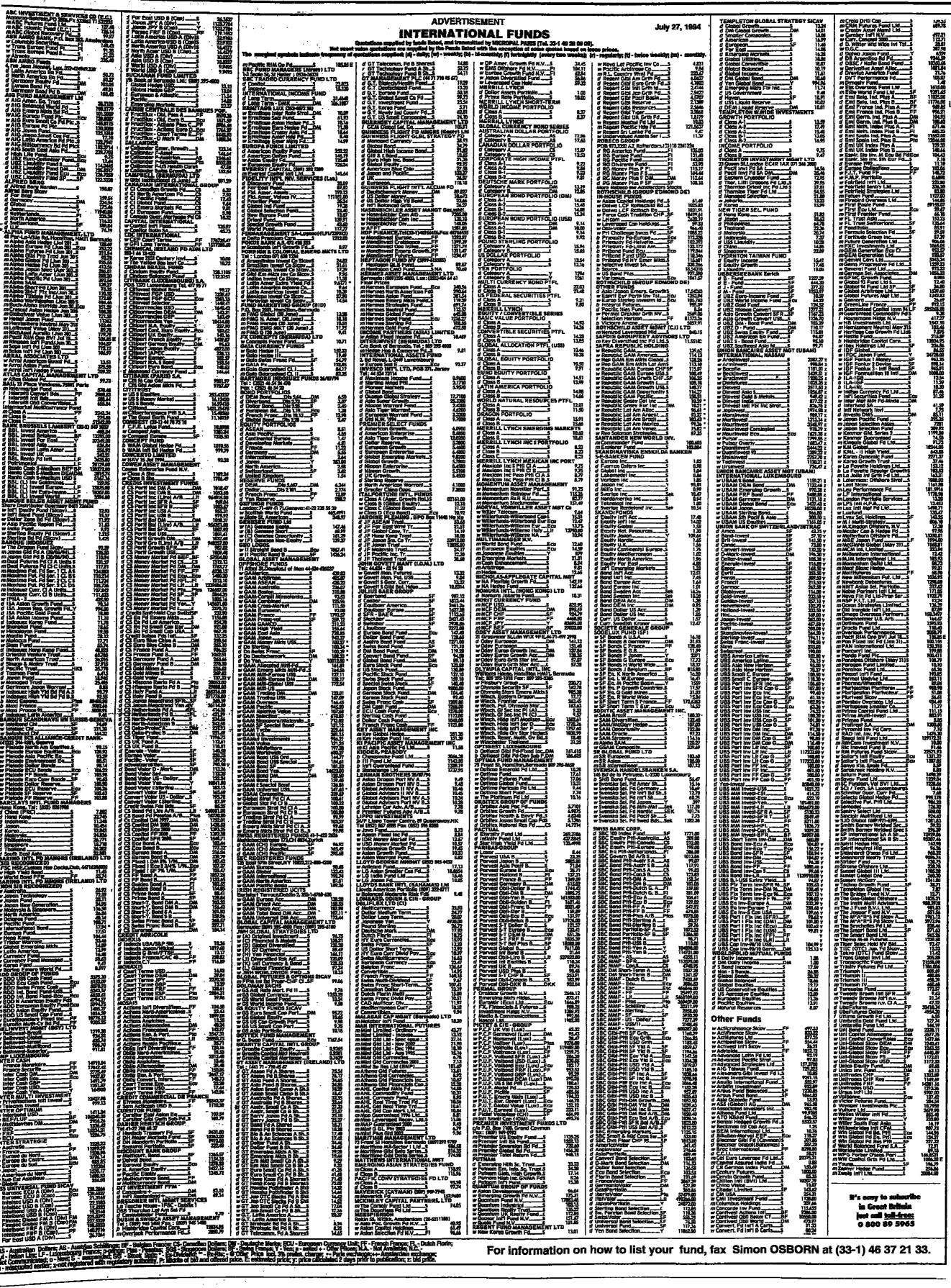
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## **SPORTS**

## **Orioles and Indians Move Up** After Splitting Doubleheader

Cleveland. In the end, both teams were feeling a half-game better.

The Orioles began a day-night doubleheader by beating Cleveland, 10-4, on Tuesday. The Indians got even in the nightcap, winning 9-2. Both teams are in second place in their respective divisions, and each gained a half-game be-cause New York and Chicago — the first-place

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teams in the American League East and Central Divisions - both lost.

At the same time, the Indians stayed two games ahead of Baltimore in the wild card race. Sound a little confusing? Well, welcome to the expanded playoff races, where intradivisional games have all sorts of postseason implications.

Dennis Martinez, the winning pitcher in the second game, did not realize the Indians might actually be battling the Orioles, as well as the White Sox, for a wild-card playoff spot. "I find it out before we came here. I didn't

even know what was the wild card and how that thing worked," he said. "But I find out, and then I concentrate on beating these people and at the same time help us keep pace with the Chicago White Sox.'

Martinez had a no-hitter until Brady Anderson's two-out, RBI single in the sixth. Martinez walked two and struck out seven.

Cleveland took command in the first inning, using an RBI double by Albert Belle and a three-run double by Manny Ramirez to go up 4-0. Belle hit a solo homer off Mike Oquist in the third. In the first game, Harold Baines snapped a

long homerless drought with two solo shots. Rafael Palmeiro and Leo Gomez also hit home runs for Baltimore, which withstood Cleveland homers by Belle and Eddie Murray.

Tigers 9, Seattle 1: At Detroit, Travis Fryman broke an 0-for-26 slump with two doubles, two

triples and four RBIs.

David Wells allowed one run on five hits in his fourth complete game of the season. He struck out five and walked his first batter in 39% innings, a span of 156 batters. Jim Converse al-

lowed six runs on nine hits in 51/3 innings.

Brewers 7, Blue Jays 5: Jody Reed celebrated A good day for Baltimore, a good night for his 32d birthday by hitting a pair of singles, scoring a run and driving in two more in a sevenrun first inning. Visiting Milwankee snapped its three-game losing skid and stopped Toronto's season-high eight-game winning streak.

Juan Guzman did not make it out of the first inning. Ricky Bones went eight innings to win his third straight start, allowing five runs on 10 hits while striking out four and walking two. Mike Fetters pitched the ninth for his 13th save.

Red Sox 10, Yankees 7: In New York, Tim Nachring and Mo Vaughn hit two-run home runs in the sixth inning as the Red Sox ended the Yankees' five-game winning streak.

Nachring's seventh homer of the year came off Jimmy Key and capped a Red Sox comeback that began after New York took a 5-0 lead in the

first inning off Chris Nabholz
Royals 3, White Sox 2: In Ransas City, Missouri. Wally Joyner had a pair of RBI singles as the Royals won their fourth straight, their long-est since a five-game string in mid-April. Tom Gordon improved to 7-1 lifetime against

Chicago, allowing two runs and six hits in 71/3 innings. Jeff Montgomery pitched the ninth for his 21st save. Wilson Alvarez gave up six hits and three runs in seven innings.

Rangers 8, Twins 7: In Arlington, Texas. Greer's RBI single with two outs in the eighth inning was the winning edge for the

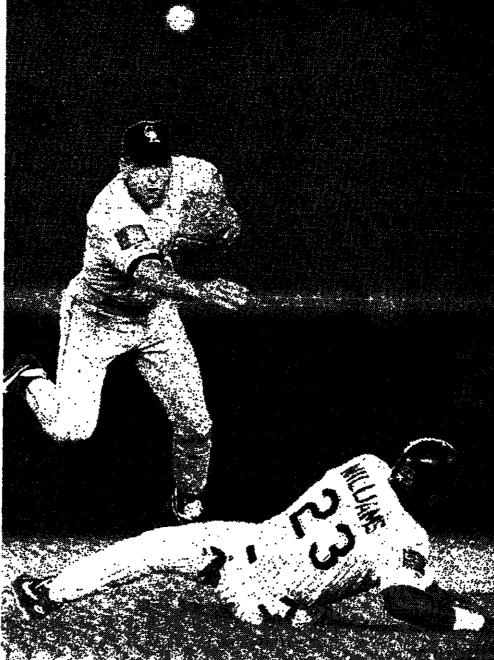
Doug Strange's run-scoring pinch-single in the bottom of the eighth off Rick Aguilera lifted the Rangers into a 7-7 tie before Greer drove in the Jay Howell, who allowed a run in the top of the eighth on Matt Walbeck's one-out solo homer,

got the victory. Athletics 6, Angels 0: In Anaheim, California, Steve Ontiveros and two relievers combined on a three-hitter, and Stan Javier tied a club record

with three doubles for Oakland. Ontiveros was pulled after only 80 pitches and a two-hitter through seven innings. He walked none and struck out four. Bob Welch and Billy

Taylor each pitched an inning.

Chuck Finley was charged with six runs and seven hits over eight innings but allowed only one hit over his last 61/3 innings.



Colorado shortshop Walt Weiss leaps over Eddie Williams to turn a double play and kill a San Diego rally in the sixth. The Rockies held on, moving within one game of Los Angeles.

# No Sign of Accord In Baseball Talks

NEW YORK -- It doesn't seem that baseball players and owners will have much to talk about Wednesday in what is expected to be the final bargaining session before the union sets a strike deadline.

Both sides expressed pessimism Tuesday after discussion groups met, and both the union leader, Donald Febr, and the management negotiator, Richard Ravitch, said they didn't foresee any change in positions.

The executive board of the Major League Baseball Players Association is expected to set a strike deadline when it confers by telephone conference call Thursday. The union is to announce its decision about two hours later at a news conference in New York.

"We have the feeling that nothing we do matters," Feir said. "They're on a track and they're going to make whatever

decisions they've made." Ravitch said Tuesday that the union has "not made any reasonable proposals" and expects players to set a deadline Thursday. The most frequently mentioned possibility for a strike date is Aug. 19.

Some players are already planning August vacations with their families. And attendance figures indicate that the threat

of a strike may be hurting ticket sales. Owners are insisting players agree to a salary cap and players say they won't accept one under any circumstance.
This would be the sport's eighth work stoppage since 1972.
Management, which reopened the collective bargaining greement on Dec. 7, 1992, waited until this June 14 to make its salary-cap proposal. The players rejected the plan July 18. Players want to keep the current system of free agency and salary arbitration, which has raised the average salary to \$1.18

million, and fear owners unilaterally will impose a salary cap after the season unless the union forces an agreement by The Tuesday meetings did not focus on the central economic concerns but rather on issues like drug-treatment programs.

■ Fans Organize for Own Strike Two organizations claiming to represent the interests of baseball fans have decided to merge and seek a one-day strike on Aug. 13. The Associated Press reported from Cleveland. The purpose is to send a message to both players and owners as a players' strike seems to near.

Fans with season tickets to Ang. 13 games are being urged to stay home. Fans with single-game tickets are being urged to at least miss the first couple of innings.

"Overwhelmingly, the fan support is there," said Frank Sullivan, a season-ticket holder to Cleveland Indians games and organizer of a group called Fans First.

"Everybody is fed up with all the money that's in major league baseball," Sullivan said. "What's forgotten in this is that the buck stops with the fans."

Sullivan formed Fans First with the help of a brother-inlaw, Patrick O'Rourke and a friend, Ron Dalton. Fans First has mailed about 1,000 letters to friends, fan groups and others urging them to strike.

The groups said they were not aware of any other organized

anti-strike campaign.

"There may be others out there, too. The more the merrier," Sullivan said. "It would be just further evidence of a groundswell of loyal baseball fans out there who are fed up.

## Bagwell Breaks 100-RBI Barrier, as Astros Defeat Reds, 6-5

At this point in the season, what's more amazing — Jeff Bagwell having 101 RBIs or the Colorado Rockies

being only one game out of first place?
In a year dominated by Ken Griffey Jr., Frank Thomas and Matt Williams, Bagwell became the first player to break the 100-RBI mark when he homered Tuesday for the Houston As-

'I guess I'm as surprised as much as anybody else that I've got 101 al-

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which is all I wanted. That was the big thing: It helped win the game."

over Cincinnati, 6-5, cutting the Reds' lost. I'm so disappointed we didn't lead in the National League Central win. Division to one game.

The Rockies, meanwhile, continued go-ahead run in the seventh to close in on the NL West lead. Their Rockies 6, Padres 5: In Sa

and second in two days against Atlanta.

game out and no TV channels are talking about us," said Mike Kingery, who hit a home run for Colorado.

Thompson, Colorado's second pick with his major league-leading 38th home run for Colorado.

Thompson, Colorado's second pick in the June 1992 draft, is the first run, and San Francisco won before "They're talking about the Dodgers amateur ever picked by the Rockies to

played up to our potential."

Bagwell has 101 RBIs in 101 games.

to break Bob Watson's team record. "You try to contribute," he said. "If

you can contribute every night, that's good. Some days you can't do it and other team. Baseball is a very hum-Bagwell's two-run homer helped

ready," he said. "It helped tonight, catcher, Scott Servais.

"I've had collisions before like that, but nothing that intense," Sanders Bagwell's 33d homer led the Astros said. 'It was a big play, but we still

Luis Gonzalez doubled home the

Rockies 6, Padres 5: In San Diego, 6-5 win at San Diego moved them just one game behind Los Angeles.

"The thing that has been encouraging for everybody is we're only one as Colorado improved to 26-25 on the

and Giants. None of us feel we have make it to the majors. He gave up three runs and seven hits in 5% innings. Steve Reed got his second save by He needs to drive in only 10 more runs striking out Derek Bell with a runner on third to end the game. Scott Sanders (3-8) lost his fourth straight.

Girardi, who missed 15 days with a torn tendon in his knee, and Mike you actually feel you're playing for the content and sales and some carry homered for the Rockies. Briother team. Baseball is a very humin two runs for San Diego.

Expos 5, Braves 3: Greg Maddux

Houston take a 5-0 lead. The Reds lowered his major league-leading ERA came back at Riverfront Stadium, ty- to 1.69, but wound up with the loss ing it in the sixth when Deion Sanders when his error contributed to four un-

The Expos won their eighth in a row and improved to 7-3 against the Braves. Atlanta held a players-only meeting before the game, then lost for the seventh time in 10 games.

Maddux, a four-time Gold Glove winner, made a three-base throwing error as Montreal scored three times in

the seventh inning for a 5-2 lead. Butch Henry gave up three hits and two runs in seven innings. John Wette-land got three outs for his 20th save,

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open the game with seven runs in the

homer and drove in four runs for the starts. Dodgers.

Phillies 10, Marlins 8: Ricky Jordan and Kim Batiste hit RBI singles in the 12th inning that lifted Philadelphia over Florida at home.

John Kruk, who battled testicular cancer earlier this year, discovered two lumps — one on his lower abdomen and another on a rib - and will return to Philadelphia. Lenny Dykstra, shaken up when he was thrown out at the plate by Sheffield, also left the game and had chest X-rays taken, which

were negative.

The Phillies led 8-2 in the fifth inning before the Marlins tied it in the seventh on Gary Sheffield's two-run

Ben Rivera was the winner and Robb Nen (4-5) was the loser. The Phillies are 1-5 in extra innings, all on the road, and Florida is 4-1 in extra innings, all at home.

Mets 10. Cardinals 8: Rico Brogna cause of arm fatigue.

Williams homered for the second hit a two-run homer in the 11th imning straight day, and Todd Benzinger and drove in four runs as New York drove in three runs. The Giants broke won at St. Louis.

pen the game with seven runs in the venth.

Brogna, who tied a team record by going 5-for-5 Monday, connected off Los Angeles lost for the 12th time in Gary Buckels for his sixth homer. The 18 games. Mike Piazza hit his 21st rookie is batting .488 in his last 12

> Todd Zeile hit a three-run homer for the Cardinals and Bernard Gilkey scored four times. St. Louis lost its fourth in a row. Mike Maddux (2-1) was the winner

and John Franco got his 24th save. Franco was the Mets' eighth pitcher,

Cubs 8, Pirates 4: Mark Grace and Rick Wilkins hit home runs in the eighth inning and Chicago pulled away at Pittsburgh.

Shawon Dunston also connected for the Cubs. Tom Foley and pinch-hitter Dave Clark homered for the Pirates. Jose Bantista was the winner despite

giving up two runs in the only inming he pitched. Mark Dewey (2-1) gave up Grace's tiebreaking homer leading off

The Cubs' starter, Anthony Young, activated from the disabled list before the game, left after four innings be-

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## **Cricket Scandal Fallout**

COLOMBO - Salim Malik, captain of the Pakistan cricket team, said on Wednesday that the world should laugh at England after the ball-tampering allegations made against their skipper. Mike Atherton.

"Who is cheating — we or they? Who has got caught?" said Malik whose team includes Wasin Akram and Waqar Younis, the fast bowlers accused of tampering with the ball during Pakistan's 2-1 test series against England in 1992.

Malik said that whenever Pakistan won test matches and whenever Akram and Younis took wickets, the team was branded as cheats. But he said the Atherton incident last weekend would take some pressure off his bowlers.

The British press has called for Atherton to resign after he was shown on television rubbing his hand in his trouser pocket and then rubbing the ball on the third day of the first test against South Africa, Atherton originally denied any wrongdoing but later admitted having dirt in his trouser pocket. He was fined £2,000 pounds (\$3,050) by the English cricket selection body for using the dirt and for not giving a full explanation to the match referee.

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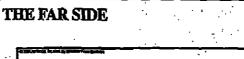








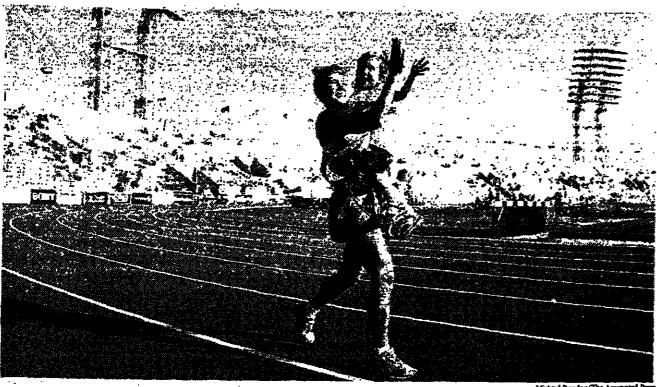








## **SPORTS**



Olimpiada Ivanova, carrying her daughter, celebrates her victory in the 10-kilometer walk at the Goodwill Games.

## What's Age Got to Do With It?

## Russia's Over-30 Women Runners Race Ahead of the Pack

By Suzanne Possehl New York Times Service

ST. PETERSBURG — Racing the old-fashioned way, without high-tech training and fancy sneakers, Russia's women's track team shows it still has a thing or two to teach the youngsters.

After three days of track and field competition, the Russian women are dominating the Goodwill Games, having won 19 medals — 5 gold, 10 silver and 4 bronze.

The American women have won 11 medals

—4 gold, 2 silver, 5 bronze.

Yelena Romanova, 31, the 1992 Olympic champion at 3,000 meters, took the gold medal in St. Petersburg on Sunday, with Annette Peters of the United States finishing third.

finishing third. Marina Pluzhnikova, 35, won the 2,000-

meter steeplechase Monday.

But the biggest surprise came in the 1,500 when the 42-year-old Yekaterina Podkopayeva took the gold from Sonia O'Sullivan of Ireland with a time of 3:59:78. Until Monday's race, O'Sullivan, 24, had been undefeated this year.

Joking that she could have a daughter O'Sullivan's age. Podkopayeva, a mother of two, said she could not explain why but

she keeps getting faster with age.
In 1980, she did not make the Soviet
Olympic team. Three years later, at the
World Championships in Helsinki, she finished third in the 800- and 1,500-meter events. In 1986, she moved with her husband, then a Soviet Army officer and now

nothing to do," she said. After having a second son, Podkopayeva decided to start training again. She failed to make the Olympic team in 1988, but a year later placed second at a meet in Barcelona. Then, in 1992, she won the European

Championships. She said she still trained the same way she did when she was 18, lifting weights, swimming, running in the mountains and

cross-country skiing.
Podkopayeva, her husband and two
sons, ages 8 and 13, live in a one-room apartment outside Moscow. He cooks breakfast and walks the boys to school. She does the laundry and the grocery shop-

They have just enough to get by, she said. The most she ever earned in a race,

### Tears and Spilled Beer In Joyner-Kersee Event

ST. PETERSBURG — Spilled beer led to threats of disqualification for world record-holder Jackie Joyner-Kersee on the second day of the heptathlon at the Goodwill Games. A Games official accused the U.S. Olympic champion of putting beer on her javelins to gain a better grip, and through an interpreter, threatened to dis-qualify her. But she tearfully told the official she had not used the javelins after spectators had spilled beer on the implements. An angry confrontation ensued between Bob "I was an officer's wife, bored with field events referee, Albert Kalin.

A shaken Joyner-Kersee continued, claiming the gold medal with her lowest winning score ever, 6,606 points.

she said, was \$3,000, when she won the World Championship this year in Toronto. That paid for two months of groceries, she

Before perestroika, Podkopayeva said, she would have gotten a bigger apartment, a car and a dacha in the countryside for inning the world championship.

"Now everyone applauds, but no one helps," she said, referring to the Russian sports federation.

Romanova said she was too embar-rassed to say what the federation paid her. "Let's just say it's enough for a taxi ride to the airport," she said.

Romanova said the level of Russian field athletics had fallen over the last few years. "None of the youngsters wants to run," she said. "They can sell Snickers on the street and earn more. Still. Romanova and Podkopayeva do

not regret the transition to market economics and professional sports. "Now we're allowed to compete abroad and have contracts," Podkopayeva said.

Both Romanova and a teammate have contracts. But Podkopayeva said she had not gotten any offers. They think I'm too old," she said, laughing.

At the world championships and in most of her other 17 starts in the last two months, Podkopayeva wore Reebok merchandise and earned about \$1,500 a race.

The stuff was always the wrong size, she said, "At the world championships, I needed a small, they gave me a large. I ran ioes inai didn'i di

As a sign of protest, she decided to wear a Nike T-shirt when she ran at the Goodwill Games. "Now Nike has called me in to talk." she said.

## Basketball's Best Chase 2 Dreams

By William C. Rhoden

New York Times Service C HARLOTTE, North Carolina — Two large red, white and blue buses negotiated their way through midmorning traffic.

moving determinedly toward the Charlotte Coliseum. Despite their size, the buses moved smoothly as they wove in and out of traffic: a quick burst here to exploit an opening, a bold, powerful lunge there to get into a faster lane.

In many ways the buses were like their passengers — members of Dream Team II,15 of the world's best basketball players. Small

quick players like Kevin Johnson and Mark Price. Big powerful ones like Alonzo Mourning and Shaquille O'Neil. Players who can move through traffic.

The team played its first exhibition game Tuesday night, defeating the German national team, 114-81, before a sold-out crowd that came to watch a dream doubleheader. In the first game, the women's 1994 Goodwill team played an

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exhibition against a select women's team of talented college players, overwhelming them by a score of 104-47.

Dream Team II is carrying a unique pressure. Like its predecessor, it is not only supposed to win the World Championships in Canada next month but crush opponents in the process. But even more than that, it will be measured against the standard of the original Dream Team and its 44-point average margin of victory

en route to an Olympic Gold in Barcelona two years ago. That burden has created a compelling debate: Could Dream Team I - with Michael Jordan, Charles Barkley, Larry Bird, Magic Johnson and Patrick Ewing — defeat Dream Team II with O'Neal,

Mourning, Sean Kemp, Reggie Miller and Derrick Coleman?

Barkley recently told Kemp that Dream I would easily win. "I said that we were too young," Kemp recalled. "We'd run away from them.

In any event, the only squads the Dream Teams can compare themselves to are each other. No team that's entered in the world tournament could come within 20 points of beating either version. The larger mission of the Dream Team approach is to spread the gospel of basketball throughout the world using the world's

greatest players.

Basketball in the 1990s, like jazz in the '20s through the '50s, has

become the United States' most significant cultural export to the world. As a result of the Barcelona Olympics, European stations have purchased the rights to more "live" National Basketball Association games and have put more games in prime time slots and on better networks.

But for all this expansion and clever marketing, the missing component in the United States' burgeoning basketball machine is its women athletes. At a time when women's basketball is as great as it has ever been, women are still being forced into exile after brilliant collegiate careers.

What brought this to mind was Sheryl Swoopes, the former Texas Tech All-American who played here Tuesday night as a member of the Goodwill team, scoring 12 points. But a lasting recollection of Swoopes was her stunning 47-point effort against Ohio State in the 1993 national championship game. That performance capped a season in which she was also voted the college

That was the last most of us saw or heard of her. After college she followed the rugged migration pattern of other great female college players and headed to Europe. Out of sight. Out of mind. "That was a tremendous drop for me, but it happens to women all the time," Swoopes said Tuesday. "Guys know that if they're good enough in college they have the NBA or the CBA to look forward to and the option to go overseas. When I came out of college-I knew that if I wanted to keep playing I had to go overseas."

WOOPES signed with an Italian team, Basket Bari, and averaged 23 points in 10 games but finally returned after three months because she wasn't being paid.

'The guys don't care anything about that." Swoopes said. " just sit here and look at them and wish that maybe someday that's going to me out there working out, someday I'm going to be part of a Dream Team. The time is right to develop a league in the United States. There's a market here, it just has to be cultivated: In fact, a leading sports manufacturer has come out with posters of former great female players, and two trading card mpanies have manufactured cards with top female players.

We think our day is going to come." Swoopes said. "That's my dream: one day - in my lifetime - to have some type of professional league in the United States for women to play in. It-s

## **Shumacher Team** Discussing Appeal

LONDON - The Benetton team of the Formula One championship leader, Michael Schumacher, said it would decide on Wedenesday whether to appeal over its driver's

Schumacher was banned Tuesday for ignoring a black-flag order to stop at the British Grand Prix earlier this month, and lost the six points he earned by coming in second to Damon Hill at the Silverstone event.

The German driver has seven days to appeal against the International Automobile Federation penalty. But the appeal, which would automatically suspend the ban, would need to be lodged sooner for Schumacher to compete in his home German Grand Prix at Hockenheim this weekend. "We are considering and discussing the matter," said a Benetton spokesman, saying that a statement would be re-leased within hours on whether the decision would be accept-

The Brazilian driver Rubens Barrichello and Mika Hakkinen of Finland were both given one-race bans by the FIA on Tuesday, also for offenses at Silverstone on July 10. But their bans were suspended for three races. The pair collided on the final bend of the race and Hakkings overtook another car on

the formation lap. Hill, the Silverstone winner, was also summoned to appear before the FIA world council disciplinary hearing in Paris to explain his action in collecting a British flag from a spectator during his slowdown lap. But Hill, who will be the favorite to win at Hockenheim if Schumacher is absent, escaped punishment after proving that he had slowed down but not stopped.

## SIDELINES

#### Italy Prevents U.S. Basketball Gold

ST. PETERSBURG (AP) - The U.S. basketball team was eliminated from gold-medal contention at the Goodwill Games

Wednesday, losing to Italy, 81-72.

The team of college players led, 40-39, at the half, but the Italians scored the first six points of the second half and led the rest of the way in the semifinal game.

A technical foul on Shawn Respert of Michigan State helped Italy break the game open. The Italians converte: free throws for a 68-57 lead with 6:22 min.

### Italy's Grand Prix May Be on Track

ROME (Reuters) - The Motor Sports Federation of Italy on Wednesday withdrew its opposition to the Italian Formula One Grand Prix at Monza after proposals to make the track safer were approved, but the final decision on whether the Sept. It race goes ead rests with the minister of environment and culture. Domen-

The federation, which called off the Grand Prix two weeks ago for safety reasons, said in a statement that it no longer opposes the race after the regional assembly of Lombardy approved a plan to make the track safer by removing over 500 trees around its dangerous "Great Curve".

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World-champion Brazil is to play England next summer in a sixin soccer tournament that will be a dress rehearsal for the 1996 European Championship. The tournament will be played in England over 10 days, starting at the end of May. (AP)
Derrick Coleman of the New Jersey Nets plans to take legal

action against a woman who claimed he raped her at a Detroit hotel, after a prosecutor said Tuesday that the National Basketball Association's highest-paid player won't be charged

Eddie Jones, who played college basketball at Temple University, was signed Tuesday by the Los Angeles Lakers to a six-year contract worth \$13.5 million. (LAT)

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## As the World Turns, Keenan-NHL Drama Deepens

NEW YORK - The Mike Keenan Affair is not over even if he is a St. Louis

Punitive action by National Hockey League Commissioner Gary Bettman on Sunday did not end it. It continues.

The most bizarre episode occurred Tuesday, a chapter so peculiar that perhaps only Robert Ludlum could have conceived of it: a devilish conspiracy concocted by two foes, Keenan and Neil Smith, the Rangers general manager.

It is a tale suggested by Keenan and denied by Smith and Bob Gutkowski, the

Smith's immediate boss Keenan's charge: that he and Smith con-

spired to manufacture the late bonus check payment that led to Keenan's leaving the icam July 15.

"Somebody's lying," Gutkowski said Tnesday, when informed of Kennan's assertion, "and I don't believe it's Neil Smith."

The latest turn in the mystery emerged as an afternoon soap opera when Keenan called the radio station WFAN from a Chicago train station to say he had been wrongly tarred by the New York news

president of Madison Square Garden and media, had been a victim of Smith's and had information damaging to the Garden's hierarchy. "But I can't disclose that information,"

Later in the day, the station revealed

what it said were the contents of the 12page brief submitted by Keenan to Bettman last Thursday. The document was prepared for a hear-

ing set for Monday into the truth behind Keenan's having declared himself free from the Rangers on July 15 because his \$608,000 bonus check was not delivered

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BASKETBALL

Notional Basketball Association

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PHOENIX—Re-signed A.C. Green, for-word, to 5-year Contract. Signed Westey Per-son, guard, to 4-year contract.

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ARIZONA—Signed Mork Vunder Peel offamilye trackie.
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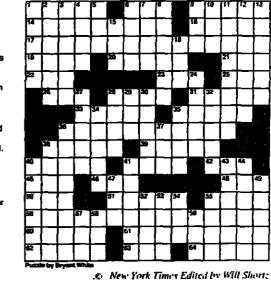
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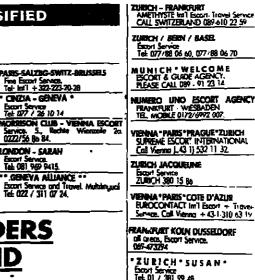
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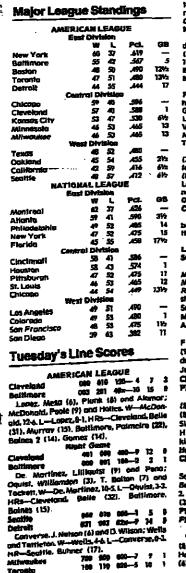
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antioned him to Powtucket, IL. Beught confract
of Eric Wedge, calcher, from Powtucket,
CALIFORNIA--Put Tim Softman, sufficieler, on 15-day disposed Ray, retroactive to July
18. Recoiled Garret Anderson, outfielder,
from Voncouver, PCL. 16. reviewe GRETER ANDERSON, GUTTLEBER, from Vancouver, PCL. DETROIT—Put Mike Hemsenan, pitcher, on 15-day disabled list, retrocetive to July 19. Re-called Sean Bergman, pitchir, from Tolado, IL.

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CHICAGO—Signed Bob Probart, left wins,
to 3-year contract plus on action year,
DALLAS—Signed Todd Harvey, center.
SALLAS—Signed Todd Harvey, center.
contract. DETROIT—Waived Bob Probert, left wing. LOS ANGELES—Acquired Sean O'Donnell, defensement, from Buttala for Dous Houda. NLY. RANGERS-Traded Esa Tilak

N.Y. RANGERS—Traded East Tildement, forward, and Doug Lidster, detensement, to St. Louis, for Pair Nedwed, Center.

COLLEGE
PENN STATE—Annuanced that Curitis Enils, numing back, will not offered school this foil because he foliad college antrance exami-SETON HALL,—Harned George Blaney men's posterbolf coach. WISCONSIN—Announced the restaugiton

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#### ART BUCHWALD

## Other Medical Plans

nal health plan thrown out the window, every member of Congress is submitting an alternate

Here are just a few of those on offer:

Senator Louis Pasteur has written an"all-inclusive completely voluntary no-cost-tothe-taxpayer" bill. You are enti-

tled to either 10 visits to the doctor of your choice, or two tickets to a Barbra Streisand concert worth \$1,000.

Your health insurance policy will guarantee you a seat

Buchwald in the doctor's reception room, where you will be allowed to wait for a full working day. You will also be

calling 911. Senator Harvey Catscan's proposal is almost the same except that neither you nor your employer will have to pay anything. All the money for medical care will be charged to the Native American casinos, which are now raking in money

permitted a second opinion by

at an unbelievable rate. Congressman Fernand Columbus advocates universal coverage but has added an amendment that if you have to

#### Dracula's Castle Needs Work to Avoid Collapse

The Associated Press **BUCHAREST** — The castle the world associates with Dra-cula is in danger of collapse if urgent repair work is not car-ried out, its architectural direc-

tor said Wednesday. The rock on which the 14thcentury fortress stands has been deeply eroded over the centuries, a government study shows. The cracks in the rock are plainly visible to the eye," the architect, Cornel Talos, said.

WASHINGTON — With make a second visit to your President Clinton's origi-physician's office, and the govphysician's office, and the government refuses to pay for it. the doctor has the right to take your house and sell it to another one of his patients.

Representative Sam Prosax. a conservative Republican from Texas, has offered a bill that no one can receive free health care until the Whitewater and Paula Jones matters are all cleared up. He has also declared that gun wounds caused by automatic weapons may not be treated unless approved by a medical board of NRA lobbyists.

You may not undergo an bortion under the Prosax health bill but if you are the father of the child you will receive a free Nintendo game in

Senator Rory Meezies says that the only way to have a good health bill is to eliminate the middle man — the doctor. "Doctors take up too much of the medical costs in this country. Most people could easily treat themselves by watching Dr. Joyce Brothers on TV or by reading Reader's Digest. I'm not saying that we need to close down every hospital in America but there's no harm in converting half the buildings into park-ing garages for basketball

Senator Bill Hiplant, a Democrat, said that there was nothing wrong with the Clinton plan except that it was named after

"It would make more sense if it was called the 'Hillary Nightingale' plan and let it go at that. My constituents want this health insurance very badly but they want Arnold Schwarzenegger to pay for it. I am asking for sacrifice on the part of every segment of the American population, which means that people should not get sick unless they absolutely have to. Also, those sick people able to work, which is half this country, should not be waiting for handouts. They should get out of bed and find a

job like everybody else.

## Playing the Dating Game in Washington

By David Streitfeld

WASHINGTON — There's a scene toward the end of "Sisters & Lovers," Connie Briscoe's novel about dating and mating in Washington, that might seem a bit extreme. Surely, some male readers may think, Briscoe has stepped over the line from realism into caricature.

Here's the setup: Beverly, a 29year-old editor at an environmental magazine, has a fender bender at the Watergate with Peter, a 34-year-old accountant. Despite this unpromising start, they begin dating. Beverly is hopeful. After a decade of dissatisfaction with black men, perhaps she will find happiness in the arms of this

True, there are warning signs. Even after a night of love, Peter shows no inclination to bathe. He's a fuss-budget about the coffeepot, measuring in exactly two and three-eighths cups of water with the help of a tablespoon. And he always has an excuse to keep her away from his house in Reston,

Smart move. It seems the place was padlocked by the fire marshal. When Peter finally lets Beverly in, she finds boxes stacked from floor to ceiling in the hallway, countertops heaped with dishes, jugs of bottled water and cans of food, junk rescued from curbsides and trash bins, newspapers and magazines saved so they could someday be read, clipped and filed.

Suddenly, Beverly gets it: "This man — the man she'd been spending all her free time with, the man she'd been sleeping most nights with, eating with, drinking with, and thought she was falling in love with — was a nut."

Poor Beverly, doomed to be disappointed by the male of the species. But are the guys hereabouts, particularly the black men that "Sisters & Lovers" focuses on, really so weak, or is this all just the novelist's creativity at work? Briscoe says it's not her imagination. For one thing, "the incident at the house really happened to me, and it may have been 10 times worse than

it was in the book." She shuquers

Indeed, many of the episodes in "Sisters & Lovers" happened to the 41-year-old D. C. native or her friends. That includes the blind date gi the Florida Avenue Grill in which the guy requests oral sex, as well as the



Connie Briscoe's first novel explores interracial relationships.

coworker who suggests zipping back home for dessert in bed.

So it goes throughout much of the novel, which offers portraits of Beverly and her two older sisters, Evelyn vhose loving, successful husband is the envy of all, until his attention starts to wander), and Charmaine (whose husband is a char: ing scoundrel whom she cannot throw out). The women compete with and criticize one another but underneath are strongly enportive.

What's the matter with these black men?" asks Beverly, "Most of them are unemployed or on drugs or in jail. Pitiful. And the ones who don't have all these problems are married." It's not that there aren't any good black men; it's that there aren't enough to

The novel is in the vein of Terry McMillan's immensely successful "Waiting to Exhale." While "Sisters & Lovers" isn't reaching those best-sell-ing heights, the publisher is pleased six printings in three months, nearly 46,000 copies shipped to bookstores. Clearly, Briscoe has found an audi-

She denies any charges of malebashing, pointing out that she has some positive male characters as well. "I think I'm realistic. The fact that this issue comes up over and over again should indicate there's a problem out there," she says, adding, "I don't think all black men have problems, but some of them do."

The 1990 census statistics add factual underpinning to the sisters' coe: "I don't think me complaint, showing 13 single black give up completely."

women in the Washington metropoli-tan area for every 10 single black men. When you consider that the women have higher status and better paying jobs than the men - a highly relevant fact in the mating game — the dispari-

ty becomes even greater. "If you can live with the fact that it may take you more time to find just what you're looking for, or that you may never find what you're looking for, then your standards aren't too high," Briscoe says. "But if you're mis-erable with that and really want to be with somebody, then maybe you need to lower your standards.

"There's a lot of women who aren't willing to do that," she notes. "They'd rather be alone." Foremost among them: Connie Briscoe.

More often than not, first novels are autobiographical. The story the writer knows best is the one she lives with every day. While Briscoe did this with the looking-for-a-mate angle, there's no trace in "Sisters & Lovers" of something else that is a major part of her life; her deafness. While the dustjacket of "Sisters &

Lovers" acknowledges the disability directly and without qualification, in person Briscoe is more ambiguous: "I know I have a severe hearing loss, but I don't think of myself as a deaf per-

Until the success of her novel allowed her to quit, she worked as an editor at Gallandet University. Aside from that, however, she lived in the hearing world. A skilled lip-reader, she only occasionally asks her inter-

locator to repeat a question. Writing fiction came naturally to her: it's an environment in which the only voices you need to hear are inner voices. Yet Briscoe's new avocation came as a surprise to her family.

"She never talked about writing a novel," says her sister Pat. "I didn't think this was something she aspired to. Connie was always the one who wanted to be married with kids."

She was married once, when she was 28. It doesn't seem so old now, but it did then. The marriage ended after a few years.

"At this point in her life," says Pat,
"Connie isn't saying, 'If I don't find a
man in the next year it's all over.' She's

pretty content in what she's doing." But a longing for a permanent relationship is deeply rooted. Says Briscoe: "I don't think most women ever

PEOPLE

Jerry Lee Lewis Goes To Work for the IRS

Jerry Lee Lewis has a smoothed out a \$4.1 million disagreement with the Internal Revenue Service, but it will keep him busy for the foreseeable future. The veteran rocker will earn the \$560,000 he has promised to pay the IRS through a concert tour, a record release, a biography and, per-haps, opening his home in Nes-bit, Mississippi, to public tours. He has already paid \$30,000. At various times since 1977 the IRS has seized and sold Lewis's real estate, vehicles and other possessions to pay tax debts. He filed for bankruptcy in 1988 but his debt to the government was not wiped out.

Nude photos of Tonya Har-Nude photos of Tonya Harding from a home video of her honeymoon will appear in next month's Penthouse. The magazine said the 44-photo layout would include shots of Harding and her former husband. Jeff Gelooly, who pleaded guilty to racketeering for his role in an attack on Nancy Kerrigan and dresy two years in prison. Hardrew two years in prison. Harding was placed on three years' probation.

Life has taken a turn for the better for Melba Moore, the Tony Award-winning actress and singer who went on public assistance in December. On Wednesday Moore opened in Cole Porter's "Anything Goes" at Montclair State University in Upper Montclair, New Jersey. "I'm just trying to survive and keep on going, and I'm much better," she said.

Elie Wiesel returned to the city where he was born in Romania, paying homage to Jews deported to death camps 50 years ago. Local authorities made him an honorary citizen of Sighet, a city of 100,000 near the Hungarian border.

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